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of Abraham Lincoln
from January 1, 1840
to December 31, 1846*

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COMPILER'S NOTE

IN 1933 the Abraham Lincoln Association published Paul M. Angle's *Lincoln: 1854-1861, Being the Day-by-Day Activities of Abraham Lincoln from January 1, 1854 to March 4, 1861*. A similar volume by Benjamin P. Thomas, *Lincoln: 1847-1853*, covering the next preceding period was published in 1936. The present volume deals with the seven years, 1840-1846. The Association plans eventually to carry its investigation back to 1830.

The method followed in the two previous volumes has been followed here. The record of Lincoln's cases in the Supreme Court of Illinois has been compiled from the original records in the office of the Clerk of that court, rather than from the printed records. Lincoln has been found to have had a part in several cases not listed in the printed reports.

For the convenience of the reader, four small maps have been grouped together to indicate the changes in the Eighth Judicial District during these years.

The limitations of space have made it impossible to list the names of all the cases in which Lincoln was an attorney in the Sangamon Circuit Court. The more important cases have been chosen for mention and the total number of cases handled on a particular day has been included.

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Oliver R. Barrett has contributed several important items from his manuscript collection. Mr. Ernest E. East called my attention to several Lincoln contacts with Peoria, including two interesting law suits in which Lincoln was an attorney in the Peoria Circuit Court.

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ABBREVIATIONS USED IN CITATION

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- Beveridge. *Abraham Lincoln, 1809-1858*. By Albert J. Beveridge. 2 vols. Boston and New York, 1928.
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- Files. The legal pleadings and papers on file in the court in which the case in question was filed.
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- Photo. A photostat copy, in the files of the Abraham Lincoln Association.
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INTRODUCTION

IN 1840, Abraham Lincoln was thirty-one years old. He had come to Illinois a decade before, and after a year in Macon County, had settled at New Salem. There he had remained until 1837, when he removed to Springfield. At that time he was serving his second term in the legislature. Re-election in 1838, and again in 1840, gave him an opportunity to rise to a position of leadership in the Whig Party in Illinois. His development in fields other than politics had been steady throughout the decade of the thirties. Though he showed few signs of greatness in 1840, it must be said that he had come far from the piece of "floating driftwood" to which he had been likened in 1831.

Samuel C. Parks, looking upon him in 1840 with the appraising eyes of a boy of nineteen, declared there was "nothing attractive in his appearance; nothing to indicate the future reformer, either in religion, or morals, or politics," and that he could not have been called "the glass of fashion," or "the mould of form. He was very tall, awkward, homely, and badly dressed . . . and probably cared less for appearances than any respectable lawyer in the state.

"Although he then had considerable ambition to rise in the world, he had, or seemed to have, done very little to improve his manners, or appearance, or conversation. He generally wore an old rusty hat; his pantaloons were often too short and his coat and vest too loose. His features were rugged, his hair coarse and rebellious, and he was, when in repose, by nature and habit a man of sad countenance."

In the legislature, by 1840, Lincoln had shown marked ability as minority leader and had been chosen by the party as its candi-

date for speaker. He had learned to play with skill the game of compromise and management that needed to be played in the enactment of a legislative program. His election to the State Central Committee gave him the practical management of the Whig forces in the campaign to elect Harrison to the Presidency in 1840.

At the bar he was recognized as a lawyer of standing with a good practice in the local circuit court. The senior partner of the firm, John T. Stuart, had been away campaigning for Congress against Douglas during the spring and summer terms of court in 1838. Elected, he had gone to Washington in the fall of 1839 to take his seat in Congress, thus throwing the responsibility of the practice on the junior member of the firm. Lincoln had recently been admitted to practice in the United State Circuit Court, and in June, 1840, he had his first case in the Illinois Supreme Court. However, his great reputation as a circuit lawyer was yet to be made. Stephen T. Logan, Edward D. Baker, Douglas and Stuart and the members of the bar generally, were his superiors in education and culture, but in confidence in himself and his ability to present a case clearly, logically and convincingly, he was their equal. Although he had mingled some in local society, he still retained much of the rusticity of his rural days. He had been exposed to culture but had not absorbed much of it.

Almost from the date of his arrival in Springfield, he had taken part in local political controversies, and had become adept in the art of manipulation. This interest in local affairs had been given a partial outlet by membership on the town board of trustees, but these duties were relegated to the background when the second session of the Eleventh General Assembly convened in Springfield on December 9, 1839.

On New Year's Day in 1840, the Legislature, contrary to general custom, held no session. With a respite from his duties as a member of the House of Representatives and the nightly meetings of the joint committee investigating the affairs of the State Bank, Lincoln wrote a letter to his absent law partner John T.

Stuart. He noted a disposition on the part of both parties to repeal the law of June, 1839, postponing the 1840 congressional elections to the summer of 1841. Why the Democrats favored this plan Lincoln did not know, but he believed it might be a good move for the Whigs, especially if work on the Canal and other public works was now stopped. In this case the Irish workmen, who voted the Democratic ticket, would emigrate. Enclosed in the letter was a copy of Lincoln's Land Resolutions adopted by the Legislature in January, 1839. These he suggested that Stuart present to Congress for adoption.

The Resolutions were Lincoln's pet scheme to solve the problem of the great cost of internal improvements in the state. In them the Federal Government was asked to sell to the state the twenty million acres of public lands within its borders for twenty-five cents an acre. Profit on the sale of the lands by the state would defray the cost of roads and canals. John C. Calhoun had advocated a similar proposal, but Congress ignored both schemes.

The *Lobby*, an informal group composed of legislators and political leaders of Springfield, held almost nightly meetings in the hall of the House of Representatives to discuss political issues. An active member, Lincoln was appointed on its committee of Etiquette, Politeness and Ceremony. A reporter for the *Quincy Whig* wrote that he had attended the *Lobby* which was "all the go at present, eclipsing theatre, farobanks, roulettes and coffee rooms." Here he found all the "big guns of the political parties collected and armed in battle array."

Legislative duties as leader of the Whig minority in the Eleventh General Assembly was only one of the numerous activities in which Lincoln was engaged in January, 1840. The first Whig State Convention, of which he had been one of the originators, had been held in Springfield in October, 1839. This body had chosen him one of the five presidential electors for the campaign of 1840 and had placed him on the State Central Committee with A. G. Henry, R. F. Barrett, E. D. Baker and Joshua F. Speed, all of Springfield. The Committee at once got the cam-

paign under way. Two series of debates, each a week in length, were held in Springfield in November and December, 1839. Lincoln and Douglas were active antagonists in these encounters.

The Democratic *Register* in commenting on one of the debates admitted that "Lincoln's argument was truly ingenious. He has, however, a sort of *assumed clownishness* in his manner which does not become him . . . Mr. Lincoln will sometimes make his language correspond with this clownish manner, and he can thus frequently raise a loud laugh among his Whig hearers. . . . We seriously advise Mr. Lincoln to correct this clownish fault before it grows upon him." The *Register* concluded that he was smart enough, but the *cause* he espoused was rotten to the core.

By the organ of the opposition, Lincoln was labelled the Goliath of the "Junto," the small group of Whigs who aspired to control the party organization throughout the State. Six years of practice in politics, plus his wit, personality, and natural talent for manipulation, had in fact brought him into the inner circle. But there were now two other circles in which he was finding his way around with ease. One was the Edwards social group in which he had recently met a new member, Mary Todd; the other was made up of young men who gathered nightly at Speed's store. By them he was accorded a prominent place around the wood stove.

Sandburg describes him at this time as "loose-jointed and comic with appeals in street-corner slang, and dialect from the public square hitching-posts, yet at moments he was as strange and far-off as the last dark sands of a red sunset, solemn as naked facts of death or hunger."

Busy with politics and legislative affairs, Lincoln was giving little attention to the meetings of the Board of Trustees of Springfield. However, he did assist in the passage of the Springfield city charter through the legislature at the close of the session.

Before the legislature adjourned February 3, 1840, the Whig

Central Committee had drawn up its campaign plans. From a study of the successful organization methods employed by the Democrats under the control of Stephen A. Douglas and Ebenezer Peck, Lincoln had become convinced of the need of organization if every Whig were to be brought to the polls in the coming Presidential contest. His ideas were printed in pamphlet form and sent to the county leaders who were directed to form county committees and sub-committees. These sub-committees were to talk with every voter, raise funds, and keep the central committee informed of its activities. Enclosed was a prospectus of *The Old Soldier*, a campaign newspaper edited by the State Central Committee. Each county was directed to forward fifty to one hundred dollars for subscriptions.

The campaign once under way, Whig attention was centered on a great Young Men's Whig Convention to be held at Springfield, the first week in June. With some hope of obtaining delegates from the southern counties, where the Democrats had received almost four-fifths of the votes cast in 1836, Lincoln took a brief southern tour in April. He spoke in Carlinville, Alton and Belleville.

Dr. A. G. Henry, who acted as secretary of the Central Committee, believed more votes could be obtained by getting Whigs out to the polls in central and northern Illinois than by converting Democrats in the southern part of the state. Lincoln did not share Dr. Henry's view and in the fall he again went on a campaign tour in southern Illinois that ended in Lawrenceville at election time. He made no reference to this tour in any of his letters now available, and references in the newspapers are so few in number that it is now impossible to trace out his complete itinerary.

Despite enthusiastic rallies, the erection of Harrison log cabins, and conspicuous cider barrels, the Whigs in Illinois were defeated by almost 2,000 votes out of a total state vote of 93,179. Sangamon County gave a large Whig majority and Lincoln was elected for the fourth time to the legislature.

Governor Carlin issued a call for the newly elected General

Assembly—the Twelfth—to convene in a special session in Springfield on November 23rd, to make provision for meeting the interest payment on the state debt, due January 1, 1841. The Senate moved into its chamber in the new State Capitol but the House was compelled to use the Methodist Church, which was so small as to be wholly unfit for the purpose.

An eastern visitor to Springfield at this time gives an interesting glimpse of the capital city: “The next morning (at Jacksonville) we took an old fashioned Four Horse Stage for Springfield, the Capital. The stage was full of Illinois Statesmen. The country we traversed was much more densely settled (mostly by Eastern People) and better improved than any part of Illinois I had seen before. I was landed at the best hotel in Springfield, kept by an enterprising Yankee. While his table set was profuse, his provender was rather too scant for my ravenous appetite. Springfield was then a flourishing town, with a number of very pretty and substantial dwellings and well stocked stores. They were building a new State House, quite elaborate and well planned, and more substantial and imposing in appearance than Pennsylvania can boast of.

“As I had some leisure time, I concluded to devote some of it to listening to the members of the Legislature, which was then in session. The Capitol was far from finished, but one room had been fitted up for the Senate. I found it almost deserted. An old gentleman with sparse red hair was making a very tedious speech (which perhaps accounted for the small audience) and I did not remain long. I then sought for the lower House which I found some distance away in an old one story frame building that had the appearance of a school house. The House was jammed with people, and I had some difficulty in gaining admittance. Here spirited debate was going on, chiefly partisan in nature. The Assembly appeared to be composed all of young men, some of them mere boys; it forcibly reminded me of a debating school of boy students. I was more amused than instructed, but remained until they adjourned.”

In the organization of the House, Lincoln was defeated by

W. L. D. Ewing for the office of speaker. He was appointed to the committees on Rules, Finance, Canal and Canal lands. Soon after the session opened he introduced a resolution providing for the distribution of the public school fund only to those schools whose teachers had demonstrated their capacity to teach by passing an examination. On Saturday, December 5, the Whig members absented themselves from the House to prevent a quorum adjourning the House *sine die*, and thus forcing the State Bank to resume specie payments, as the law required it to do at the close of the next session after suspension. The regular session was scheduled to begin on the following Monday and the Whigs had hoped to allow the regular session to come on without an adjournment. Lincoln, Joseph Gillespie and Asahel Gridley were present as Whig observers. Being overconfident, they voted in the negative upon a call for adjournment. Their votes, however, made a quorum and the Democrats declared the special session over. In their excitement and chagrin, the Whig trio jumped out of the window. This incident has mistakenly been attributed to Lincoln during his attendance in the Legislature at Vandalia.

On Monday following the above incident, December 7, the House met for the first time in the Hall of Representatives in the new State House. Thus Lincoln's last session in the Legislature was held in the room where he was to give the "House Divided" speech and where his body lay in state in May, 1865.

Lincoln and several others at once introduced bills providing for the payment of the interest due on the State debt. He was appointed chairman of a select committee to inquire into the large expenditures for public printing. During the last week in December he was very active in the work of the legislature and even attended on Friday, January 1, 1841, the day which he later characterized as the "fatal 1st." The following day his only activity was to vote for adjournment at the close of the day.

The illness or mental upset that made him attend only occasionally to legislative affairs during the first two weeks in January, and not at all during the week following, was the result of a

serious disturbance in his relationship with Mary Todd. These two, ignoring the contrasts in their temperaments and backgrounds, became engaged sometime in 1840. As time wore on Lincoln became uneasy and worried, his mind troubled by the thought that he did not love her, and by doubt of his ability to make certain her future happiness. Then, on January 1, 1841, something decisive happened. Exactly what it was is not clear even now, but existing evidence points to a broken engagement on Lincoln's initiative. In any case, he was profoundly affected emotionally. His brooding became serious, developing an ailment described as hypochondria or "hypo," but to his friends it appeared to be a mild case of insanity. Three weeks of mental anguish followed "the fatal 1st," and not until the 23rd of January do we have a word from Lincoln about his condition. To Stuart he wrote: "I am now the most miserable man living. If what I feel were equally distributed to the whole human family, there would not be one cheerful face on the earth. Whether I shall ever be better, I cannot tell; I awfully forbode I shall not. To remain as I am is impossible; I must die or be better, it appears to me. The matter you speak of on my account you may attend to as you say, unless you shall hear of my condition forbidding it. . . ."

Not until Lincoln had returned from a visit in the late summer of 1841 in Louisville with his friend, Joshua F. Speed, did he seem to shake off his mental affliction. Letters to Speed giving counsel on Speed's fears concerning his own contemplated marriage—counsel drawn in part from his own experience—helped Lincoln to regain his balance. Speed's marriage brought to his friend in Illinois a sense of peace and contentment. When Speed announced he would not come to Illinois to live, Lincoln was greatly disappointed and wrote: "I shall be very lonesome without you. How miserable things seem to be arranged in this world! If we have no friends, we have no pleasure; and if we have them, we are sure to lose them, and be doubly pained by the loss."

Reconciliation with Mary Todd was slow in coming. Writ-

ing to a friend in June, 1841, she said that Lincoln considered her unworthy of notice, and added, "I have not met *him* in the gay world for months." Nevertheless, as time went on they were thrown together, and when they were both involved in the controversy over the "Rebecca Letters" which almost led to a duel between Lincoln and James Shields, complete reconciliation followed speedily. On November 4, 1842, they were married at the home of Ninian W. Edwards.

The illness that kept Lincoln from active participation in the Legislature during the first twelve days of January, 1841 became so severe that he was unable to attend from the thirteenth to the nineteenth. On the twentieth he wrote to Stuart urging the appointment of his friend and physician, Dr. Anson G. Henry, to the office of post-master of Springfield. Unless Henry was appointed Lincoln feared he would leave Springfield. The doctor, he believed, was necessary to his existence. However, his illness began to pass away and the closing week in January found him again introducing resolutions, making motions, and serving on a select committee.

The State Bank bill, the reorganization of the Supreme Court, the amendment of the charter of the Springfield and Alton Turnpike Company and the attempt of the Democrats to kill the internal improvement system all received Lincoln's attention in the closing weeks of the session.

The most bitter fight came on the Supreme Court bill. The court, composed of three Whigs and one Democrat, had displeased the Democratic majority in the legislature by its decision to retain Secretary of State A. P. Field in office. A contributing cause was the fear that the Supreme Court would stop aliens from voting by its decision in a Jo Daviess County case then pending. The Democrats determined to alter the political majority of the court by the addition of five new judges chosen from the Democratic ranks. When Lincoln and other Whigs voiced their opposition to this plan, the Democrats replied that they were generous in allowing the three old Whig judges to remain on the bench. The nine circuit judges, most of whom

were Democrats, joined the Whigs in opposition to this move to legislate them out of office. Lincoln and five other Whig members of the legislature signed a long protest which was broadcast over the state in the form of a circular. The bill passed but was vetoed by the Council of Revision composed of the Governor and the members of the Supreme Court. It again passed both houses and became a law. Thirty-five of the thirty-eight members of the House who voted nay on the second passage signed a second protest. Lincoln was the last to sign, adding after his name the words, "true as I believe."

The Legislature and the Supreme Court both adjourned on the first of March, 1841. Three weeks intervened before the opening of the spring term of circuit courts. No record of Lincoln's activities has been found for this period, but evidence that he had not fully recovered from the emotional shock of January first is shown in a letter of James C. Conkling in which the writer remarks that Lincoln, "poor, hapless, simple swain who loved most true but was not loved again—I suppose he will now endeavor to drown his cares among the intricacies and perplexities of the law." In this wretched state of mind Lincoln appealed to Stuart to get him an appointment that would enable him to leave Springfield. Stuart complied by requesting of Daniel Webster, who had just taken office as Secretary of State under President Harrison, the position of Chargé d' Affairs at Bogota. Nothing came of the request.

An important change, however, did come into Lincoln's life on April 14, 1841. On this date the partnership of Stuart and Lincoln ended, and Lincoln became the junior partner in the firm of Logan & Lincoln. This is the date given by W. H. Hurd in his autobiography, but it should be noted that Lincoln and Logan had appeared together in several cases in the spring term of the Sangamon County Circuit Court, the first case being that of *Webb v. Parrin* on March 23rd. Stephen T. Logan was nine years Lincoln's senior, and had served as judge of the First Circuit during 1835-1837; Stephen A. Douglas serving as the prosecuting attorney. Back of his work at the Illinois bar since

1833, was a decade of practice in Kentucky. At the time of the new partnership Logan had completed a year as attorney for the State Bank in Springfield. This position, which took but a small portion of his time, carried a salary of \$1200 a year. John T. Stuart, a member of the Springfield bar throughout Logan's practice, called him the superior of any of the members; "a man well grounded in the law as a science . . . in his arguments to the court he stated his point logically and tersely, and to its enlightenment. . . . He settled more controversies than he brought suits." The outstanding qualities of Logan and Lincoln complemented each other. Logan was intensely industrious, diligent, and painstaking, learned in the law, and possessed of sound judgment in real estate and money matters; whereas Lincoln at the time was indifferent, genial, humorous, neighborly, had only a fair knowledge of the law and was void of acquisitiveness. On the other hand, Logan's voice was sharp and rasping, and his talents as an orator and politician were meager as compared to the junior partner. Mutual appreciation of the other man's talents was a factor in the formation of the partnership.

W. H. Herndon and David Logan were two of the students in the Logan and Lincoln law office. Herndon had clerked in the store in which Joshua F. Speed was a partner. After Speed had sold his interest in 1841, Herndon continued as a clerk for the new firm of Bell & Hurst. The need for more income for his growing family plus a naturally studious disposition were factors in turning Herndon's attention to the study of the law in the evenings of 1843 and 1844. Logan followed his father's advice and was admitted to practice in June, 1844.

In December, 1844, the Logan-Lincoln partnership was dissolved and the new firm of Lincoln and Herndon was formed. (Herndon gives December, 1843, as the date of the termination of the partnership with Logan and the beginning of the firm of Lincoln and Herndon. This is obviously an error because Herndon was not admitted to the bar until December 9, 1844. Moreover, the firm name of Logan & Lincoln appears on the docket and in the legal papers of the Sangamon County Circuit

Court throughout most of 1844; while Herndon served as a member of the local grand jury in March, 1844. The first case in the Sangamon Circuit Court, in which Lincoln and Herndon appeared as partners was *Hope v. Beebe*, tried in March, 1845.)

Gibson W. Harris, a student in the Lincoln and Herndon office from 1845 to 1847, recalled that the senior partner "was not an assiduous instructor in the technics of the law" and reluctantly turned to Herndon for such help as he needed. Harris was impressed by Lincoln's acquaintance with and knowledge of the people in Harris' county in southeastern Illinois. "He seemed," recalled Harris, "not only to know just how much influence each had politically, but likewise their noted peculiarities, their whims and fancies. . . . If any mind was ever governed in its activities by the maxim, 'The proper study of mankind is man,' it was Abraham Lincoln's."

The office of Lincoln and Herndon, as described by Harris, contained a dilapidated desk and a table, a lounge and a half a dozen wooden chairs. "Over the desk a few shelves . . . held a set of *Blackstone*, *Kent's Commentaries*, *Chitty's Pleadings* and a very moderate number of other books." In such surroundings the young law student listened to talk that touched points of law, the issues of current politics, and the problems confronting mankind.

The Supreme Court met at Springfield the first Monday in July and remained in session three weeks. It convened again on the second Monday in December, the term lasting until the first of the following March. At the December, 1841, term the firm had thirteen cases and in the following winter term they handled twenty cases, a number which placed them among the leaders. In the seven years, 1840-1846, Lincoln appeared alone and in partnership with other lawyers in 103 cases, 62 of which he won. This number included several cases in which his name appears in the court record, but not in the published reports. Forty-nine cases were appeals from counties in the Eighth Judicial Circuit. Of these, twenty were from Sangamon County. Fifteen cases were appealed from five counties in southeastern

Illinois along the Wabash River. These cases came to Lincoln through his friendship with Samuel D. Marshall and Henry Eddy, lawyers who traveled the circuit in these counties. Six cases came from Madison, four each from Peoria and Jo Daviess, and three from Cook. These cases were sent to Lincoln from friends he had made in the Legislature.

The records of the United States District and Circuit Courts, which met twice a year in Springfield, were burned in the Chicago fire of 1871; thus a complete record of Lincoln's practice is impossible.

Nathaniel Pope of Kaskaskia served as judge of the United States District Court, and with Justice John McLean of the United States Supreme Court conducted the United States Circuit Court. Each court held a summer and winter term. The judges' docket of the summer term in 1840 of the United States Circuit Court in Springfield listed 135 common law, 18 chancery and 10 criminal cases. Ten years later these totals were 198 common law, 24 chancery and 7 criminal cases.

In a letter of William H. Bradley, to William H. Herndon, the date of Lincoln's admission to practice in the United States Circuit Court is given as December 3, 1839. Among others admitted on this day were Stephen A. Douglas, Charles Emmerson, Samuel H. Treat, Schuyler Strong and George A. O. Beaumont, all lawyers with whom Lincoln was to be associated in the circuit and Supreme courts. Bradley gave February 1, 1842, as the date of Lincoln's admission to practice before the United States District Court.

At the time the files and records were taken to Chicago in 1855, copies of certain classes of cases were made for the convenience of the court in Springfield, and a complete index was made of all bankruptcy cases. These cases occupied most of the time of Judge Pope during the years 1842 and 1843. Unfortunately the complete record of only a dozen or so of more than sixty cases credited to Logan and Lincoln has been preserved.

From the records available, data on forty of Lincoln's cases in the United States District Court have been obtained. Opin-

ions in five cases may be found in the volumes known as *McLean's Reports*.

The Eighth Judicial District, in which Lincoln gained his fame as a circuit lawyer, was first organized February 23, 1839. On February 1, 1840, it was reorganized to include the nine counties of Sangamon, Menard, Tazewell, Livingston, McLean, Logan, DeWitt, Macon and Christian. A year later the four counties of Mason, Piatt, Shelby and Champaign were added. This circuit of thirteen counties remained unchanged for two years, when Woodford and Moultrie were added. This was the largest number of counties ever included in the Eighth Circuit, though in February, 1845, Mason and Shelby were dropped and Vermilion and Edgar were added. An examination of the records available in the various county seats shows that Lincoln did not travel the entire circuit in this period. He went on the circuit with Judge Samuel H. Treat each spring and fall but the records indicate that he seldom if ever attended the Mason, Livingston, Macon and Shelby courts. The records in Moultrie, prior to 1849, have been destroyed by fire, the judge's docket in Piatt has been lost, and no collateral evidence has been found to prove his attendance at these courts. He attended regularly the Coles court though it was not a part of the Eighth Circuit and also the Edgar Court before it became a part of the circuit in 1845. His largest practice, with the exception of Coles, was in the counties that were also a part of the Seventh Congressional District, namely, Logan, Menard, Tazewell and Woodford.

Lincoln was so constituted physically that the difficulties of circuit travel brought no complaint from him. The hotels, or taverns as they were generally called, were almost always cheerless and uncomfortable. Whiskey and other liquors were sold at the bar alongside the rude office. The food was often badly cooked and poorly served. Furniture in the rooms rarely comprised more than a bed, a spittoon and a couple of split bottom chairs. Guests performed their ablutions at the well located between the tavern and the stable in the rear.

The spring thaw caught the traveling attorneys somewhere



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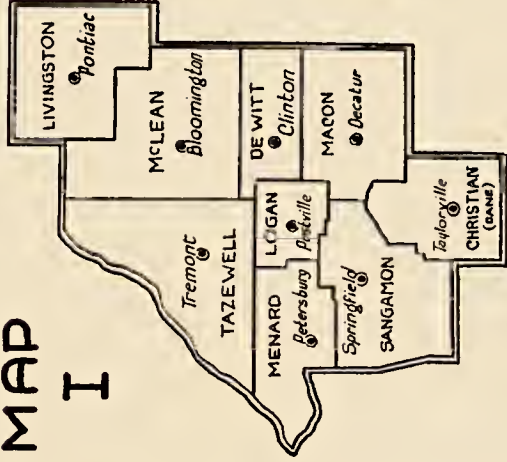
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The Eighth Judicial District, in which Lincoln gained his fame as a circuit lawyer, was first organized February 23, 1839. On February 1, 1840, it was reorganized to include the nine counties of Sangamon, Menard, Tazewell, Livingston, McLean, Logan, DeWitt, Macon and Christian. A year later the four counties of Mason, Piatt, Shelby and Champaign were added. This circuit of thirteen counties remained unchanged for two years, when Woodford and Moultrie were added. This was the largest number of counties ever included in the Eighth Circuit, though in February, 1845, Mason and Shelby were dropped and Vermilion and Edgar were added. An examination of the records available in the various county seats shows that Lincoln did not travel the entire circuit in this period. He went on the circuit with Judge Samuel H. Treat each spring and fall but the records indicate that he seldom if ever attended the Mason, Livingston, Macon and Shelby courts. The records in Moultrie, prior to 1849, have been destroyed by fire, the judge's docket in Piatt has been lost, and no collateral evidence has been found to prove his attendance at these courts. He attended regularly the Coles court though it was not a part of the Eighth Circuit and also the Edgar Court before it became a part of the circuit in 1845. His largest practice, with the exception of Coles, was in the counties that were also a part of the Seventh Congressional District, namely, Logan, Menard, Tazewell and Woodford.

Lincoln was so constituted physically that the difficulties of circuit travel brought no complaint from him. The hotels, or taverns as they were generally called, were almost always cheerless and uncomfortable. Whiskey and other liquors were sold at the bar alongside the rude office. The food was often badly cooked and poorly served. Furniture in the rooms rarely comprised more than a bed, a spittoon and a couple of split bottom chairs. Guests performed their ablutions at the well located between the tavern and the stable in the rear.

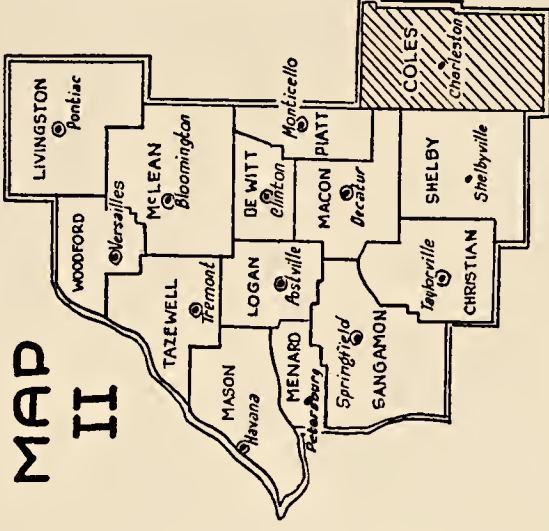
The spring thaw caught the traveling attorneys somewhere

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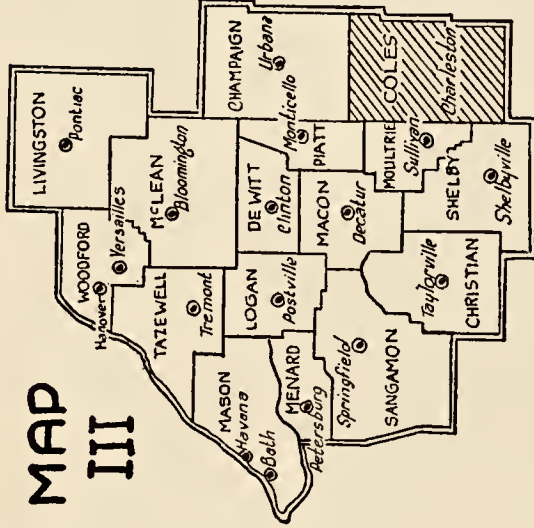
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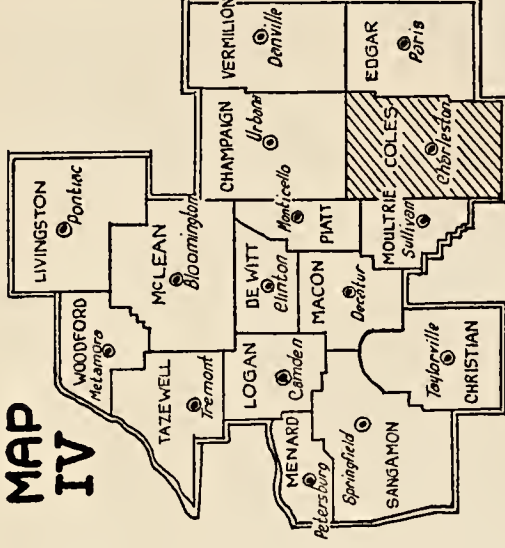
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MAP IV



EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
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*Coles County was not in the circuit. It is included because
Lincoln attended court at Charleston ~ ~ ~*

along the circuit. Difficulties of travel were lessened somewhat by the prevailing hospitality along the road. At any farmhouse might be found entertainment for man and food for his horse. Lincoln's indifference to food and dress, plus a talent for seeing the humor in all trying situations, made circuit travel easier for him than for most of his colleagues.

Financial necessity compelled most of the lawyers in central Illinois in the forties to be present at as many circuit courts in the surrounding counties as it was physically possible for them to attend. It was not unusual for Lincoln to meet at the Tazewell Court in Tremont, David Davis, Wells Colton and Asahel Gridley of Bloomington; Norman H. Purple, Charles Ballance, Onslow Peters and William Frisby of Peoria; Edward Jones and William Holmes of Tremont; Lewis W. Ross of Lewiston, and a dozen others in addition to the delegation from Springfield. At the Livingston Circuit Court attorneys from Ottawa were usually in attendance. At the Coles Court Lincoln met an entirely new group of lawyers, several of whom lived in Terre Haute, Indiana. Almost the entire Springfield bar and several lawyers from Jacksonville attended the Menard Circuit Court at Petersburg, twenty miles northwest of Springfield. There Lincoln engaged in cases involving many of the friends of his New Salem years, including Dr. John Allen, Mentor Graham, Samuel Hill and James Short. Lincoln & Herndon successfully defended James Dorman on a charge of manslaughter in their first case in Menard County. They were less successful in the defence of Ammai Merrill, charged with giving payment in counterfeit coin. The jury found him guilty and Judge Treat sentenced him to three years of hard labor in the Alton penitentiary.

One of Lincoln's most interesting cases on the circuit, and the only murder trial in which Douglas and Lincoln appeared on the same side, was the trial of Spencer Turner for the murder of Matthew K. Martin, heard at the spring term in 1840, of the DeWitt Circuit Court. Turner was indicted "for not having the fear of God before his eyes but being moved and seduced by the instigation of the Devil . . . (and) with force and arms upon

one Matthew K. Martin . . . made an assault with a certain wooden stick of the value of ten cents . . . in and upon the right side of the head near the right temple of said Martin one mortal wound of the length of two inches and of the depth of one inch." To this indictment Lincoln entered a plea of not guilty, and with the assistance of Douglas and Kirby Benedict convinced the jury of Turner's innocence. For his part in the trial, Lincoln received a ninety-day note for \$200. A year later he brought suit against Turner to collect on the note, and for five years the case was continued. In April, 1846, he got a judgment for \$213.50 and costs.

In March, 1844, while engaged in a series of political debates in Jacksonville, Lincoln appears to have represented a school teacher, Eliza Cabot, in the Morgan Circuit Court, in a slander suit against Dr. Francis Regnier, a resident of New Salem during Lincoln's years there. The court awarded Miss Cabot \$1,600 damages. When the case was appealed to the Supreme Court Lincoln again represented her. Two months later he took Logan's place in the divorce case of *Aquilla Wren v. Clarissa Wren* in the Peoria Circuit Court.

In the first attempt made to address a judge of the Illinois Supreme Court out of office, Lincoln served as counsel for the Judge, Thomas C. Browne. Four members of the Galena bar brought charges of natural infirmity and feebleness of intellect, and asked the House of Representatives in January, 1843, to remove Browne from the bench. Lincoln answered that the charges were too general and that the Constitution provided that judges should hold office during good behavior. Logan, who had been appointed a member of the committee to investigate the charges, was apparently disgusted with the proceedings and demanded that the House consider only evidence that was admissible in court. Judge Sidney Breese, a member of the Supreme Court with Browne, was placed on the stand by the prosecution. When Breese testified that he had written one or two opinions for Browne, but that he believed him competent to hold the office of judge, the case broke down and was dismissed by the House.

It was in the Sangamon Circuit Court, which alone of the counties of the Eighth Circuit held three terms a year, that Lincoln had his most extensive practice. Court terms of two weeks in length were held in the spring and fall and one week in the summer. He appeared in all types of litigation usually having from twenty-five to thirty cases in each term.

During the three terms in 1840, there were 50 criminal, 207 chancery and 476 common law cases, a total of 733. Despite the doubling of the population in Sangamon County during the forties, the total of cases in 1850 was only 687. This total was made up of 131 criminal, 251 common law, and 305 chancery cases.

An unusual number of lawyers practiced in this court, attracted in part by the business of the United States Courts and the Illinois Supreme Court. At the March, 1840 term the lawyers present were Lincoln, Logan, Baker, David B. Campbell, A. T. Bledsoe, A. P. Field, James C. Conkling, Schuyler Strong, John C. Doremus, Henry E. Dummer, S. A. Douglas, William L. May, and Jesse B. Thomas of Springfield; Murray McConnel, James McDougall, William Thomas, and John J. Hardin of Jacksonville; and J. Young Scammon and Norman B. Judd of Chicago. Others who appeared before 1847 were Richard Yates, John D. Urquhart, Levi Davis, David A. Smith, Henry B. McClure, Wm. H. Brown, James Shields, Alfred Cowles, John Krum, Lyman Trumbull, B. S. Edwards, Ebenezer Peck, C. R. Welles, Josiah Lamborn and Justin Butterfield.

At the same time that Lincoln was making progress in his profession, his political ambition was enlarging. In less than two years from the conclusion of his last term in the state legislature he was informing friends of his desire to go to Congress. "Now if you should hear anyone say that Lincoln don't want to go to Congress," he wrote to Richard S. Thomas, a lawyer of Virginia, early in 1843, "I wish you as a personal friend of mine, would tell him you have reason to believe he is mistaken. The truth is, I would like to go very much." Moreover, in a letter to Alden Hull of Pekin, who had been a fellow member of the legislature,

he showed that he had been carefully following the progress of the bill in the legislature setting up new congressional districts.

Under the national census of 1840 the state was allowed seven representatives instead of its former allotment of three. On March 1, 1843, the legislature passed a law creating the new districts, and placing in the Seventh the counties of Sangamon, Putnam, Marshall, Woodford, Tazewell, Logan, Mason, Menard, Cass, Scott and Morgan. The Whigs of the state, in a convention held in Springfield the day the law was passed, recommended that each district hold a convention to nominate a candidate. In this convention Lincoln took an active part, addressing the members and offering a series of resolutions favoring a tariff, a national bank and the distribution of the proceeds from the sale of public lands. His resolutions were unanimously adopted, and in a letter to Richard S. Thomas he expressed the hope that they would be responded to with unanimity by the Whigs of the State.

The Convention appointed Lincoln, Logan and Bledsoe a committee to prepare an address to the people of Illinois, setting forth the reasons for the adoption of the resolutions and recommendations. The address, which appears to have been written by Lincoln, was issued on March 4, 1843. In it Lincoln explained why an increase in tariff rates was necessary and desirable, and preferable to direct taxation in raising national revenue. The deficits for several years had been met by loan after loan and the debt thus created was growing with a "rapidity fearful to contemplate." The fact that a tariff fell on the consumer of luxury goods only was an argument worthy of great consideration. To the subject of the National Bank, Lincoln devoted little space, contenting himself with a statement that Washington, Madison and the Supreme Court had upheld its constitutionality. "Upon the question of its expediency" he wrote, "we only ask you to examine the history of the times during the existence of the two banks, and compare those times with the miserable present." Henry Clay's bill, designed to distribute to the States a part of the proceeds from the sale of lands within its borders, should be

avored by all Whigs, said the Address, because it was the best bill that stood a chance of being passed by Congress.

The resolution recommending that a Whig candidate for Congress be run in each of the seven districts was essential, said Lincoln, because Democrats elected by Whig votes turned out to be the most vindictive opponents. He also urged the adoption of the convention system for the nomination of candidates. He did not contend that it was right, but that it was a necessity, proved by the failure of the Whigs in elections of the previous summer. He quoted the phrase, "a house divided against itself cannot stand," and Aesop's fable of the bundle of sticks as truths for the party to follow.

The last part of the address Lincoln devoted to the failure of the Whigs, since the election of President Harrison in 1840, to go to the polls and vote unitedly.

Menard County objected to the convention plan of nomination. Knowing that he must have this county to strengthen his candidacy, Lincoln wrote to his friend, John Bennett, to hold a county convention and appoint delegates anyway, "and if there be any who will not take part, let it be so."

At each successive election from 1834 on the Congressman from the Third District had been a resident of Springfield. The Whig Junto of Springfield intended to continue the hold of their party on the office which had begun with the election of John T. Stuart over Stephen A. Douglas in 1838. Lincoln, Baker and Logan were the three contenders for the endorsement of the county convention, and it was understood that the two losers would give their support to the county choice at the district convention. Three days before the convention the editors of the democratic *Register* reported that their ears were stunned by the din caused by the shouters for Lincoln and Baker. *The Register* was satisfied that the local nominee would receive the nomination of the district.

On Monday, March 20, the Sangamon Whigs gathered in the State House. After several ballots, Lincoln withdrew his name and Baker was chosen. To his chagrin and disgust, and over his

protest, he was appointed one of the eight delegates to the district convention. Four days later he was still piqued. He wrote Joshua F. Speed that he was "fixed a good deal like a fellow who is made a groomsman to a man that has cut him out and is marrying his own dear 'gal'." There was balm for his injured feelings in a letter received from Martin S. Morris. In reply, Lincoln wrote one of his most interesting letters. He attributed his defeat to the fact that he was considered as the candidate of pride, wealth, and aristocratic family distinction. Baker got the vote of the church members, he said, it being contended that he (Lincoln) was a deist, and had talked of fighting a duel. "While the people of Sangamon have cast me off," he wrote, "my old friends of Menard, who have known me longest and best, stick to me."

Many years later G. U. Miles wrote to Herndon that he knew all about the Lincoln-Morris letter dated the 26th of March, 1843. "Under its influence we in Menard got up a Convention of the people—had Lincoln's name before us. Morris and I were appointed delegates and were instructed to go for Lincoln and then for Hardin (then) Yates. Morris was taken sick. Regnier was appointed in Morris' place. Baker kicked up at our first Convention—called the 2d. and Lincoln was our choice next as at first. I went up to Pekin—Lincoln was there—took me out and said, 'Other counties have gone for me, and are instructed for me, if I am a candidate, I'll be nominated on the 1st. Ballot. My honor is out with Baker. I'll suffer my right arm to be cut off before I'll violate it. It is impossible for me to run. I, after the nomination will get up and decline and I want you to go for Baker. Menard, your two votes, will settle the question.' 'But' I said, 'I as well as Regnier are instructed to go for Hardin after you, and will suffer my right arm cut off before I violate my instructions' so the matter ended."

When it came time to choose the nominee at the Pekin convention it was apparent that Hardin, a leader of the Whigs in the State for more than a decade, was the prevailing favorite. As chairman of the Sangamon delegation, Lincoln withdrew

Baker's name before the voting began, and the convention unanimously chose Hardin. He then introduced a resolution, which was adopted by a vote of 19-14, that the convention, as individuals, recommended E. D. Baker as a suitable person to be voted for by the Whigs of the district for Representative to Congress in 1844, subject to the decision of a district convention. This resolution caused dissention among the Whigs, and brought derision from the Democrats in the campaign of 1846. The president of the convention, appointed a committee consisting of Lincoln, Baker, Bledsoe, Hardin and William Brown to prepare an address to the Whigs of the district. Lincoln had remained hopeful of receiving the nomination during the six weeks between the Sangamon Convention and the district meeting at Pekin. The selection of Hardin was a bitter disappointment. However, he soon assured Hardin that the Sangamon Whigs would unanimously support him. "We have many objects for doing it," he wrote. "We make it a matter of honor and pride to do it; we do it because we love the Whig cause; we do it because we like you personally; and last, we wish to convince you, that we do not bear that hatred to Morgan county, that you people have so long seemed to imagine."

To prove the enthusiasm of the Sangamon Whigs, Lincoln drew up a challenge to the Whigs of Morgan County. This challenge, published in the *Sangamo Journal*, May 11, 1843, under the heading *A Proposition*, does not appear in any of the volumes of Lincoln's writings and is therefore given here in full:

"We have a proposition to make to our friends of Morgan, that, in case the locos run a candidate for Congress in that county at the August election, the majority of votes in SANGAMON COUNTY for Hardin shall DOUBLE the number of his majority in MORGAN COUNTY. The losing County shall give a free BARBECUE to the Whigs of the other county—the said barbecue to be provided at some place most convenient for the accommodation of the Whigs of the two counties.

"Whigs of Morgan, Will you go it?"

A file of the *Sangamo Journal* is not available for the sum-

mer of 1843; thus there is little evidence of Lincoln's efforts in behalf of Hardin. He took an active part in the Whig State Convention held in Springfield on June 9-10. At the close of his address, "delivered in his usual forcible manner," he offered four resolutions, which were unanimously adopted. The resolutions do not appear in Lincoln's published writings, and are therefore given here in full.

"Resolved: That we recommend to the Whigs of all the counties of this state, to hold meetings, and appoint delegates to meet in Convention on the second Monday of December next, in Springfield, and select nine persons as a Whig electoral ticket to be voted for by all the Whigs of the State at the Presidential election in 1844.

"Resolved: That all Whig papers of this State be requested to publish the above resolution.

"Resolved: That we invite our democratic brethren to select two or three members of their party to meet a like number of ours to discuss the question of difference between the two political parties of the Nation, during all the evenings of next week; each Speaker to occupy one evening, the parties to take evening and evening about, and the speaker whose lot it shall be to open the debate, to have the privilege of making the closing speech on his own side of the question.

"Resolved: That the President of the Clay Club be directed to present a copy of the above Resolution to the President of the Democratic Association."

If the challenge was accepted by the Democrats it is reasonable to suppose that the debates were held during the following week, the United States Circuit Court being then in session.

Lincoln was engaged during the first two weeks in July on a committee with Norman H. Purple of Peoria and S. J. Iankiewicz of the Auditor's office, in investigating the accounts of Dr. Anson G. Henry. Dr. Henry had been chairman of the commission for the erection of the State House from 1837-1841. The investigating committee decided that Dr. Henry owed the state the sum of \$271.00.

On election day, August 7, Lincoln went to the polls but did not vote for Hardin for Congress, nor for, or against, any of the Whig candidates for the county offices. His only votes were for constable and justice of peace. Hardin, however, did not need Lincoln's vote. He received fifty-three percent of the votes of the eleven counties of the Seventh District. Sangamon County gave Hardin a majority of 504 votes, which was more than twice as large as his majority of 167 votes received in Morgan county.

The Morgan Whigs had accepted Lincoln's challenge of May 11th. To pay the election bet, they issued invitations to all Whigs of Western Illinois to meet at Jacksonville, Oct. 6. Whig editors declared there were twelve thousand in attendance. Although they probably overestimated the number, large crowds did gather around the several platforms to hear the speeches of Lincoln, Baker and Matheny of Springfield, Hardin and Yates of Jacksonville, Milton Hay of Pittsfield and Robert S. Blackwell of Rushville. Hardin avowed his intention not to be a candidate for re-election to Congress, giving as a reason that his law practice would require all his attention.

Two weeks after Hardin's election the Sangamon County Whigs met in Springfield and resolved to redeem the State in 1844 from the blighting curse of Democratic rule. Pledges were taken to carry on a zealous campaign to "secure a Whig legislature, a Whig senator, together with a majority of Whig Congressmen." They further resolved "that Old Sangamon must and *will* remain the Banner Whig county of Illinois, and that we pledge ourselves to give H E N R Y C L A Y a majority of *eight hundred and fifty* votes in 1844." The enthusiastic Whigs closed their Convention with addresses by Lincoln, Baker and Dr. Henry.

Lincoln was again chosen a presidential elector at the State Whig Convention in Springfield, December 11-12, 1843. The other eight electors were S. Lisle Smith, Joseph Gillespie, E. B. Webb, U. F. Linder, J. J. Brown, D. M. Woodson, Nathaniel Belcher and William Brown. A detailed system of organization of the state was set up. The State Central Committee, composed

of the five Springfield Whigs, Dr. A. G. Henry, Robert Irwin, Caleb Birchall, Dr. E. S. Frazer and James H. Matheny, was given general charge of the campaign. Committees in each of the seven Congressional districts were chosen and given the power to organize county committees. Mass conventions were planned for the northern Illinois Whigs in June at Peoria and for those of the southern part of the state in July at Vandalia. Everything appeared to be harmonious when the Convention adjourned with three rousing cheers for Henry Clay, "the next Whig President."

During the fall of 1843 there was some mention of Lincoln as the Whig candidate for Governor, but the movement did not meet with any enthusiasm on his part. After he was chosen as presidential elector, his sponsors turned to Hardin. Clay Clubs began weekly meetings; songs for "gallant Harry" were sung and speeches were made by Lincoln, Logan and Baker. "We intend to keep them up till November," wrote Dr. Henry to Hardin, by now in Congress: "I know that if you were in Morgan all would go well but I fear that the people of Morgan have lost what they are not able to replace. I know how this goes if Baker or Lincoln is missing at our meetings. It seems that something is lost." On February 21, William Butler wrote to Hardin that "Baker, Lincoln, Logan and Stuart are making speeches every night at some one of the precincts in our county to crowded houses; we confidently expect to give 1,000 majority in Sangamon County for Clay."

The Democratic *Register* lampooned the attempts of the Whigs to duplicate the enthusiasm of the "Tippecanoe and Tyler" campaign of 1840. On February 16, 1844, it printed the following letter, which purported to be from the pen of the editor of the *Sangamo Journal*: "Lincoln, another member of the Junto, is a greater man than Baker. He is our jester and mountebank, and tells our stories, to make the people laugh. We have had him appointed a candidate for Clay elector. This we hope will buy him off from being a candidate for Congress in the way of Baker. We have also had the notorious blackguard

(Usher F.) Linder away over east appointed another Whig elector. We intend to send Lincoln over to Linder's county to make speeches and bring Linder to make speeches over here. This we consider will be another master stroke of policy, for by that means we shall send them both to places where they ain't known, and where the people being strangers to them, will just as likely believe them as not.

"Lincoln is a long-legged varmint and great at *jumping*. He earned his membership in the Junto by jumping out of the window of the State House to save the bank; and since that great jump, he has 'jumped to' the head of the Whig party. . . . Lincoln has attained to a high degree of skill as an orator; for he can make a speech which is all length and height like himself, and no breadth or thickness whatever."

With the campaign well started in Sangamon, Lincoln moved out into the surrounding counties. At Virginia in Cass County, on Washington's birthday, he debated the National bank question with Judge John Pearson. In the middle of March, while engaged in the slander suit of Cabot *v.* Regnier at Jacksonville, he debated the issues of the tariff and the national bank with John Calhoun and A. W. Cavarly. When the Sangamon Circuit Court opened on the following Monday, Lincoln and Calhoun began another series of debates which continued throughout the week. In 1833, Calhoun, then surveyor of Sangamon County had appointed Lincoln his deputy. Now each man was a presidential elector of his party and each had been considered as a candidate for governor. They continued their debates as they followed the court around the Eighth Circuit in April, 1844, beginning at Tremont on April 3rd. That evening, David Davis, a Bloomington attorney who was present, described the events of the day as follows:

"Politics rage now hereabouts, as they usually do preceding a Presidential election. The first day of every court is occupied in political speaking, usually by an Elector on each side of politics, each person generally taking some three or four hours. Lincoln is a Whig elector. Lincoln is the best stump speaker in the State.

Shows the want of early education, but has great powers as a speaker."

Twice Lincoln left the court, during its sessions in Tazewell and Woodford counties, to address the Whigs in Peoria. On his return home, he was warmly congratulated by the Springfield Whigs for the splendid way in which he had disposed of the arguments of Calhoun.

Complying with the resolution of the Pekin Convention, the Whigs on May 6, 1844, held their district convention at Tremont. It was generally understood that E. D. Baker was to be the party's choice for Congress and he was nominated by acclamation. Attention of the convention was devoted to arousing enthusiasm for Henry Clay for President. Van Buren's letter declaring his opposition to the re-annexation of Texas had split the Democrats and given encouragement to the Whigs.

Despite the flooded condition of the central part of the state, a crowd of from 5,000 to 8,000 Whigs gathered in Peoria on June 19th. Archibald Williams of Quincy, who had presided at the State Convention in the previous December, was chosen as the presiding officer. Lincoln was one of the nine orators, and was made Chairman of the Resolutions Committee. The other eight members of the Committee, several of whom he was associated with for the first time, were William Kellogg, L. B. Knowlton, J. Y. Scammon, W. F. Bryan, J. R. Cooper, S. H. Davis, John M. Smith and William Broaddus. Whig leaders were elated with the apparent enthusiasm of the northern Whigs. Detailed accounts of the Peoria gathering appeared in the newspapers of southern Illinois and a challenge was issued to the southern Whigs to put on a greater demonstration at the Vandalia mass meeting on July 19th.

The Whig State Central Committee under Dr. A. G. Henry's guidance had begun in March the publication of a campaign newspaper, *The Olive Branch*. In May, the committee brought forth the *Illinois Adler Und Demokratischer Whig*, in a bid for the German vote which in previous elections had gone to the Democrats. This effort was approved by Lincoln, who believed,

as he had in 1840, that strong campaigning among the Democrats in southern Illinois would bring votes to the Whigs.

Springfield Whigs, packed into ten carriages and led by a brass band, set out on Monday, July 15th, for the Vandalia mass meeting. Despite the long, hard ride to Hillsboro the party attended a rally in the evening at the courthouse, where Springfield's "unsurpassable glee club, called forth thundering Cheers." Though the mass meeting was not scheduled until Friday, most of the delegations arrived at Vandalia on Tuesday and Wednesday. Following the election of the convention officers and the appointment of committees on Wednesday, speeches were heard from Lincoln, Linder, Bledsoe and others. Thursday's crowd of 6,000, including 1,000 women, moved from stand to stand to listen to their favorite orators. Following the barbecue Friday noon, all assembled in a great tent on the public square. Eight speakers took a turn before President Thornton adjourned the meeting for dinner. Lincoln, it appears, had the good sense to make a short speech.

Springfield's delegation arrived home Sunday evening, where their *Clay and Frelinghuysen* banner, received from the Shelby County Whigs, was unfurled in front of the log cabin headquarters. Their week's work over, the delegation was dismissed with humorous speeches by Lincoln and Bledsoe.

With his heart and soul in the campaign to elect his political idol, Henry Clay, Lincoln left the Coles Circuit Court at Charleston in the middle of October for a series of speeches in southern Indiana. His itinerary has not been clearly worked out, though it is believed that he passed through Vincennes and spoke there, as well as in Washington, Indiana. On October 30th, he addressed a large audience in the Rockport courthouse, devoting his speech to the advantages of a protective tariff. Election day found him at his boyhood home at Gentryville, where, according to Nat Grigsby's recollection, he made two speeches.

The election over, Lincoln returned by way of Lawrenceville, where he picked up the Lawrence county election returns to be delivered to the Secretary of State in Springfield. The Whigs

carried Springfield and Sangamon County, but Polk triumphed over Clay in the State by more than 13,000 votes. In August, Baker's election to Congress over Calhoun had been attributed to his large majorities in Sangamon and Tazewell counties. At the November election the eleven counties in the Seventh Congressional District gave Clay their votes in the same proportion with the exception of Mason County, where Polk won out 255 to 254.

Discouraged at their failure to win with the popular Clay over the unknown Polk, the Whig leaders gathered in St. Louis, Springfield and elsewhere to contemplate the party's future. Efforts were made to organize a new party under the name of American-Republican. Lincoln attended the Springfield gathering but it is doubtful, with his eye on the election to Congress two years hence, whether he approved the proposed change in the party organization. If so, the plan was set aside in the summer of 1845, when he began in earnest his preparations for the election a year hence. On Baker's return from Congress, Lincoln approached him on the subject of his candidacy. Having had a taste of it, Baker was anxious to be re-elected, but he agreed to step aside if Lincoln was determined to be a candidate. He argued, however, that Hardin might become a candidate and beat Lincoln, in which case his sacrifice would be in vain. Early in September, Lincoln sounded Hardin out and found him thinking of becoming a candidate. Hardin's tour through a portion of the congressional district in July had encouraged him to run again. Lincoln's slogan of "turn about is fair play" and the statement of Baker's willingness to withdraw if Hardin would decline to run, brought no response from Hardin.

With both Baker and Hardin inclined to forget his services in their behalf, Lincoln determined to line up the Whig leaders on his side by a personal appeal as he made the round of the fall circuit courts. He announced that Hardin intended to be a candidate, but that he believed "turn about was fair play." Among those who assured Lincoln of their support were three men who later worked hard for his election: Williamson Durley

of Hennepin, B. F. James, editor of *The Tazewell Whig* at Tremont, and Dr. Robert Boal, State Senator from Marshall County. Since the organization of the Eighth Circuit in 1839, Lincoln had practiced in five of the counties composing his congressional district, Sangamon, Logan, Menard, Tazewell and Woodford. These five counties contained half the votes he would need to be elected. They also had sixteen delegates to the district convention, one less than a majority. Lincoln could safely claim Sangamon, Menard and Logan with their eleven votes. If he could get Dr. Boal's senatorial district of Tazewell, Woodford and Marshall, he would have six more delegates, a majority of the thirty-three members of the convention.

Before Baker left Springfield in November, 1845, to take his seat in Congress, he assured Lincoln again that he would not be a candidate, and would publicly announce his decision whenever Lincoln wished. Faced with Hardin's determination to stand for Congress, *The Tazewell Whig* of Tremont, on November 1st, announced Hardin as its choice for Governor. The suggestion was taken up by several other Whig papers, though they knew he had little chance of being elected. Angered by this move to sidetrack him, Hardin wrote the *Whig* editor declining the honor, adding that he preferred to re-enter political life by the congressional route. He believed there were other able men who might become candidates, and if so, he was willing to leave it to the Whigs of the district to decide on a candidate "in some acceptable manner." This subtle move to set aside the convention system of nominating the candidate, under which Lincoln seemed almost certain of the nomination, Hardin elaborated in a letter to Lincoln. Turning down Hardin's proposal of what might be termed the party primary plan of nomination instead of the convention, Lincoln replied that he was satisfied with the old system under which Hardin and Baker had been nominated. He also refused to agree to the proposal that the candidates and their friends remain in their own counties. Hardin's reply to Lincoln's letter has not been found, but Lincoln's reply to Hardin's second letter is one of the longest and most pointed of his

known letters. He reviewed the various moves made by Hardin, Baker and himself since the Pekin Convention of May 1, 1843. "If I am not," he wrote, "(In services done the party and in capacity to serve in future) near enough your equal, when added to the fact of your having had a turn, to entitle me to the nomination, I scorn it on any and all other grounds. . . .

"After, by way of imputations upon me, you have used the terms 'management' 'manoeuvring' [sic] and 'combination' quite freely, you, in your closing paragraph say: 'For it is mortifying to discover that those with whom I have long acted & from whom I expected a different course, have considered it all fair to prevent my nomination to congress.' Feeling, as I do, the utter injustice of these imputations, it is somewhat difficult to be patient under them—yet I content myself with saying that if there is cause for mortification anywhere, it is in the readiness with which you believe, and make such charges, against one with whom you truly say you have long acted; and in whose conduct, you have heretofore marked nothing as dishonorable. I believe you do not mean to be unjust, or ungenerous; and I, therefore am slow to believe that you will not yet think *better* and think *differently* of this matter."

On February 16, 1846, Hardin wrote a public letter declining longer to be considered a candidate. It is not a very graceful document. Its author denied that he had ever had any understanding with anyone that he would not be a candidate after his first term. Nevertheless, he continued, such an understanding had been presumed to exist, and it had also been generally understood that he would be a candidate for governor. As a result, many of his friends had committed themselves to Lincoln. Hardin concluded that "to pursue the plan, and use the activity, which has heretofore been done, to obtain a nomination in this District, would under existing circumstances be equally unpleasant to myself, and to very many personal and political friends, and it might result in very general dissatisfaction, which it would be difficult to heal."

Pleased that Hardin was at last out of the way, the *Tazewell*

Whig in an editorial declared, "It is due to Mr. Lincoln, that the people of this district should pay a substantial tribute to his worth, energy and patriotic exertions in behalf of Whig principles."

There was no other Whig in the field, but Lincoln did not leave his nomination to chance. Instead, in February he took a quiet trip north through the towns which he would not visit on the way to the spring terms of court. He desired especially to get acquainted with the voters in Marshall and Putnam counties. Dr. Anson G. Henry had covered this same ground in Lincoln's interest in January.

No trouble arose in the Whig Convention held at Petersburg on May 1st, Lincoln receiving a unanimous vote. This personal triumph in the midst of the friends of his New Salem years could have been nothing less than most gratifying. In the election, August 3, he carried eight of the eleven counties over his opponent, Peter Cartwright, though his majority of 1511 votes came largely from Sangamon, Logan and Tazewell Counties.

His mind somewhat at ease after Hardin's withdrawal from the Congressional race, Lincoln renewed his literary correspondence with a fellow lawyer, Andrew Johnston of Quincy. Expressing appreciation for a poem about a pole-cat written as a parody on Poe's "Raven," which Johnston had sent him in return for a copy of Knox's "Mortality," Lincoln enclosed a piece of his own poetry. The 1844 campaign trip to his boyhood home in Indiana had aroused feelings in him which he said were certainly poetry, though he was less certain that his expression of these feelings was poetry. Soon after the congressional election he sent a second canto, this time about a boyhood friend who had gone insane.

In October, he resumed his correspondence with his most intimate friend, Joshua F. Speed. "Being elected to Congress," he wrote, "though I am very grateful to our friends for having done it, has not pleased me as much as I expected." He went on to relate some of the actions of his two boys. Altogether, it was the letter of a proud father.

At the close of 1846 the discerning observer could note that marriage and family responsibilities were but two of the many changes that had come in Lincoln's life in the years since January 1, 1840. At the earlier date, his goal in politics was leadership in State affairs, and his services in the campaign of 1840 and 1844 were of a high order. This goal had been altered by his desire to enter national politics and be elected to Congress. An agreement had been made, the exact nature of which is yet unknown, by which he was to succeed Hardin and Baker in Congress. The former, and to some extent the latter, was inclined to forget Lincoln's services to the party, and only by energy and ability, plus the aid of a few close friends, was he able to force his claims and win the office which he so much desired.

Lincoln in 1846 showed the effects of having worked in harness. He had been disciplined by marriage and the increasing responsibility of a family, by the four years with Logan, the management of his campaign for Congress, and the slow recovery of his balance after the emotional disturbance of the "fatal first of January." Since 1840 he had traveled continuously over a portion of the Eighth Circuit; had tried over one hundred cases in the Supreme Court; and had developed a good practice in the United States Courts.

Despite the increased expenses of his family, and contributions in time and money to politics, he had earned by his own industry and toil sufficient to enable him to purchase a home for \$1,500.

With one exception, he had taken little interest in the new social and political movements of the forties. Neither the anti-slavery faction that had organized the Liberty Party, nor the more extreme group of Abolitionists, held any attractions for him. He expressed disgust that the Whig abolitionists of New York had not voted for, and elected, Henry Clay in 1844, and thus prevented the annexation of Texas. They should have forgotten that Clay was a slaveholder—the evil of voting for him would have been more than offset by the good in preventing the extension of slavery. In a letter to Williamson Durley in Octo-

ber, 1845, he expressed his views on slavery—the views he continued to hold, until near the end of his Presidency. He wrote, “I hold it to be a paramount duty of us in the free States, due to the Union of the States, and perhaps to liberty itself (paradox though it may seem) , to let the slavery of the other States alone; while, on the other hand, I hold it to be equally clear that we should never knowingly lend ourselves, directly or indirectly, to prevent that slavery from dying a natural death.”

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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes to John T. Stuart, his law partner, then in Congress. He sends a copy of a series of resolutions which he had introduced in the legislature, and which the legislature had adopted, and asks Stuart to show them to John C. Calhoun. The proposal is for the State of Illinois to buy all public land in the State for twenty-five cents an acre. *Works, I*, 140.

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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln votes with the majority to table the amendments to an act concerning Justices of the Peace and Constables. He moves an amendment to the public revenue act: "That hereafter all Revolutionary pensioners in Illinois be permitted to loan their pension money without paying a tax." He votes to table a resolution requiring all male inhabitants to work three days a year on the public roads. *House Journal*.

FRI.
JAN.
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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln is appointed on a committee with Nance of Sangamon and Moore of McLean, to consider the petition of citizens of Sangamon County asking for a change in the Menard County line. He votes to table a bill dealing with estrays, and votes against the printing of 1,500 copies of the report on public expenditures. On Lincoln's motion, the Senate bill to incorporate the Clinton Steam Mill Company is passed. *Ibid*.

SAT.
JAN.
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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Most of the day is spent on the Internal Improvement bill. Lincoln votes to make the state a stockholder in all railroads to the extent of its expenditures on each project. He opposes several resolutions to suspend construction on railroads and river improvement. *Ibid*.

SUN. JAN. 5	
MON. JAN. 6	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln's name is not mentioned in this day's legislative proceedings. The day is devoted to discussion of the charges brought against Judge John Pearson, a subject in which Lincoln is greatly interested. Pearson is considered incompetent by the Chicago bar, and his removal from the bench is desired. The issue has arisen over his failure to heed a mandamus issued by the Illinois Supreme Court. <i>House Journal.</i>
TUE. JAN. 7	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln is appointed one of a committee of seven to enquire, whether under the Constitution, a law can be passed authorizing an appropriation out of the State Treasury to indemnify the County of Fayette for keeping a state prisoner. <i>Ibid.</i>
WED. JAN. 8	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln votes in the affirmative on ordering to a second reading bills relating to the state bank and also on an act in relation to garnishees. <i>Ibid.</i>
THU. JAN. 9	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln presents the petition of citizens of Sangamon and Menard Counties for a state road from Petersburg in Menard County to Waverly in Morgan County. On his motion the petition is referred to a select committee, composed of Lincoln, Nance of Sangamon and Harris of Macoupin. <i>Ibid.</i>
FRI. JAN. 10	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Mr. Zimmerman of Union introduces a resolution to address the justices of the Supreme Court out of office because they have held office too long. The real reason is the court's recent decision retaining the Whig Secretary of State, A. P. Field in office despite the appointment of a Democrat to succeed him. The motion of Maus of Tazewell to table the resolution fails. Lincoln votes nay. <i>Ibid.</i>
SAT. JAN. 11	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln is one of the thirty-two members of the legislature signing a protest against the action of the House in refusing to impeach Judge Pearson. After his name, the last one on the list, he writes, "True as I believe." <i>Ibid.; Photo.</i>

SUN. JAN. 12	
MON. JAN. 13	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln introduces a bill for an act fixing the times for holding the circuit courts in the Eighth Judicial Circuit. He votes against an amendment providing for local option, and votes to table the new charter proposed for the State Bank of Illinois. <i>House Journal</i> .
TUE. JAN. 14	SPRINGFIELD. Because of the death of James Copeland, representative from Johnson County, no session of the House is held today. <i>Ibid</i> .
WED. JAN. 15	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln is one of the seven members of the Joint Select Committee to investigate the State Bank. He has been present at the hearings almost daily since Dec. 26, 1839. Today they are concerned with the efforts of the Bank to turn the Galena lead trade from St. Louis to Alton merchants. The committee closes its investigations on Jan. 20. <i>Illinois Reports</i> , 1840.
THU. JAN. 16	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln presents the petition of Mrs. Sarah Martin for a divorce, which is read, and on his motion, referred to a select committee composed of Lincoln, Nance of Sangamon and Henry of Morgan. The amendment which provides for the election of assessors and collectors, is lost by a vote of 43-37, Lincoln voting yea. <i>Ibid</i> .
FRI. JAN. 17	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln votes seven times in favor of continuing some form of internal improvement, although it is obvious that the House majority has lost faith in the extensive system adopted in 1837. <i>Ibid</i> .
SAT. JAN. 18	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. On a motion to engross the bill for the further prosecution of the Illinois and Michigan Canal, Lincoln votes in the affirmative. <i>Ibid</i> .

SUN. JAN. 19	
MON. JAN. 20	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln writes Stuart that the legislature has done nothing of importance. He wants as many copies of the new life of Harrison as can be spared, and everything Stuart thinks will be a good war club. He declares the nomination of Harrison takes first rate. In the House he introduces a bill of minor importance. <i>Works, I, 146; House Journal.</i>
TUE. JAN. 21	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes Stuart about a bill changing the date of congressional elections to August, 1840. In 1839 the legislature, because of the census of 1840, had moved the 1840 election forward one year. The bill has just passed the House, and he says, will pass the Senate. His prediction is incorrect, the Senate tables the bill. Lincoln is very active in the legislature today. <i>Angle, 7; House Journal. (1)</i>
WED. JAN. 22	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. As chairman of a select committee on the further prosecution of the Illinois and Michigan Canal, Lincoln reports back an amendment providing for the continuance of the work and leads the debate on the subject. He is also appointed on a committee to settle problems arising from the formation of Menard and Dane Counties. <i>House Journal.</i>
THU. JAN. 23	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln favors issuing scrip to continue work on the canal. He explains that the people in the vicinity of the canal also favor it and are willing to run the risk. He helps table a resolution authorizing a suit against signers of the bond executed in Springfield to obtain the State House. (Lincoln was one of the 101 Springfield residents who signed the bond on March 22, 1838.) <i>Ibid.</i>
FRI. JAN. 24	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln reports a bill from the finance committee authorizing the purchase of a House for the use of the Governor. On his motion the appropriation bill is made the special order of the session at seven o'clock in the evening. On his motion also the rule is dispensed with and the bill to change the name of Dane County to Christian is passed. <i>Ibid.</i>
SAT. JAN. 25	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. A bill is reported by Lincoln, from a select committee, dissolving the bonds of matrimony between Nathaniel B. Martin and Sarah Martin. He is appointed on a committee on relief of purchasers of canal lots and lands; and on another committee on the incorporation of the City of Springfield. <i>Ibid.</i>

SUN. JAN. 26	
MON. JAN. 27	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln votes in the negative on a bill providing for the popular election of School Commissioners, and in the affirmative on an act concerning groceries. On his motion, the House votes to meet the following evening to elect a treasurer of the Board of Canal Commissioners. <i>House Journal</i> .
TUE. JAN. 28	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. An act is passed repealing the general system of internal improvements, established in 1837. Lincoln is still a strong advocate of internal improvements and votes nay on the bill. He reports an act to authorize the collector of Ogle County to collect certain taxes for 1839 from the citizens of Lee County, formerly a part of Ogle County. <i>Ibid</i> .
WED. JAN. 29	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln votes against the adoption of various clauses in the report of the joint judiciary committee appointed to examine the contracts for the sale of State bonds. The House concurs with the Senate on the removal of the Chicago branch of the State Bank to Lockport. Lincoln votes yea. <i>Ibid</i> .
THU. JAN. 30	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln speaks in defense of internal improvements. "He thought [them] . . . of sufficient importance to justify this last effort . . . to save something for the state, from the general wreck. . . . That after the immense debt, we have incurred . . . at least one work calculated to yield something . . . should be finished and put in operation." <i>Ibid</i> .
FRI. JAN. 31	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln votes yea on a bill to incorporate the City of Springfield. <i>Ibid</i> . A large Whig meeting is held in the evening in the hall of the House. Addresses are made by General Thornton, O. H. Browning, E. D. Baker, Alexander P. Field and others. Lincoln does not speak but probably attends. <i>Sangamo Journal, Feb. 7. Cited hereafter as Journal</i> .
SAT. FEB. 1	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. On the motion to postpone adjournment from Feb. 3 to Feb. 5, Lincoln votes nay. The first number of <i>The Old Soldier</i> , a Whig campaign newspaper, of which Lincoln is one of the five editors, is published from the office of the <i>Sangamo Journal</i> in Springfield. (Seventeen issues of the paper are published before the November election.) <i>House Journal; Photo</i> .

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SPRINGFIELD. The Legislature meets and transacts some business, but the record does not disclose whether Lincoln is present or not, on this, the last day of the session. The City of Springfield and the Springfield Mechanics Union are granted charters. The charter of the Mechanics Union was drawn up by Lincoln. *House Journal; Minutes of Mechanics Union.*

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SPRINGFIELD. A Whig Circular written by Lincoln is mailed to all leading Whigs in the state about this date. On the State Central Committee with Lincoln are A. G. Henry, R. F. Barrett, E. D. Baker and J. F. Speed. The circular is intended to rally the Whigs for William H. Harrison and to provide for the organization of the state. *Works, I, 142-145.* Lincoln writes and files the declaration in *Carter v. Bennett & Ransdell. Photo.*

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[The Illinois Supreme Court which convened on December 9, 1839, adjourns today.]

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SUN. FEB. 9	
MON. FEB. 10	PEORIA. An all day Whig "Festival" closes with a dinner at the Clinton House. Lincoln is praised for fearlessly and eloquently exposing the iniquities of the sub-treasury scheme in his address of the evening. <i>Peoria Register and North Western Gazeteer</i> , Feb. 15.
TUE. FEB. 11	PEORIA AND ENROUTE TO SPRINGFIELD. The McLean County delegation starts for home at nine o'clock in the morning. It is probable that Lincoln accompanied them as far as Tremont.
WED. FEB. 12	
THU. FEB. 13	
FRI. FEB. 14	
SAT. FEB. 15	[The second number of <i>The Old Soldier</i> , the Whig campaign newspaper is published. See entry for Feb. 1; <i>Photo</i> .]

SUN. FEB. 16	
MON. FEB. 17	[<i>Old Hickory</i> , the Democratic campaign paper appears for the first time today. Both <i>Old Hickory</i> and <i>The Old Soldier</i> continue until the November election. On February 25, Judge Thomas C. Browne of the Illinois Supreme Court wrote to Henry Eddy that <i>The Old Soldier</i> had eight thousand subscribers and that he expected twenty thousand. <i>Eddy MSS.</i>]
TUE. FEB. 18	
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[The old soldiers who served under General William Henry Harrison hold a meeting in Springfield to boost the Harrison Campaign. John Lindsay is elected chairman and T. M. Neale, Secretary. A call is issued for a meeting of the old soldiers of Sangamon County to meet at the courthouse on the 14th of March. *Old Soldier*, Mar. 2.]

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[The Whig Committee, Lincoln, Henry, Barrett, Baker and Speed, say they will *superintend* the *Old Soldier*, but all good Whigs are its editors, and those who fought under Harrison are asked to write their views. The Democrats object to the Whigs organizing but, say their Committee, "We will meet, conquer and disperse General Harrison's and the Countries enemies!" *Journal*, Feb. 28.]

SAT.
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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes Stuart of an encounter between two of Springfield's citizens as follows: "Douglas, having chosen to consider himself insulted by something in the "Journal," undertook to cane [Simeon] Francis in the street. Francis caught him by the hair and jammed him back against a market-cart, where the matter ended by Francis being pulled away." *Works*, I, 148-150. (2)

SUN. MAR. 1	SPRINGFIELD. "Whig prospects were never so bright as now," writes Lincoln to Stuart. He fears he may "not even be permitted to be a candidate" for the legislature, but he is jubilant over the subscriptions to <i>The Old Soldier</i> that are coming in. He gives a list of Van Buren men who have come out for Harrison. <i>Works, I, 148.</i>
MON. MAR. 2	SPRINGFIELD. The Sangamon Circuit Court opened for a fourteen day term. Lincoln represents Rhoda Hart, Executrix in three cases against Penny & Co.; Harrison & Co.; and McIlvain & Co. All are continued. Kendall <i>v.</i> Hardin and Reagen is continued with a summons to the defendants. <i>Record; Photo.</i> [The third issue of <i>The Old Soldier</i> , the Whig campaign newspaper is published. <i>See entry of Feb. 1.</i>]
TUE. MAR. 3	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln, as attorney for the defendant, confesses judgment for \$357.43 in Billou <i>v.</i> Porter, and \$123.31 in Logan <i>v.</i> Francis. <i>Ibid.</i>
WED. MAR. 4	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln gets a judgment by default for \$431.92 in Elijah Iles <i>v.</i> White. In Nathaniel Hay <i>v.</i> Thomas Laswell, the defendant confesses judgment for \$2.50. Stuart and Lincoln are for the plaintiff. They lose an appeal case when the court awards the plaintiff \$18.22 in Newton <i>v.</i> Hailey. <i>Ibid.</i>
THU. MAR. 5	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln, Scammon and Judd for the plaintiff in Van Wagenen <i>v.</i> Pearson get judgment by default for \$456.20 and costs. In Carman <i>v.</i> Glascock <i>et al.</i> , the jury awards the plaintiff \$85.00 against two of the defendants. The plaintiff's attorneys, Stuart and Lincoln, take a non-suit as to defendant John Strode; the remaining three defendants recover their costs. <i>Ibid.</i>
FRI. MAR. 6	SPRINGFIELD. Stuart and Lincoln win by default, Trotter <i>v.</i> Laswell <i>et al.</i> , and Neff, Wanton and Co. <i>v.</i> Stockton. Lincoln gets a judgment by consent, for \$200.00 in Hay <i>v.</i> Laswell & Mock. Trotter <i>v.</i> Laswell and Keedy <i>v.</i> Elkin are continued. In Vaughn <i>v.</i> Ransdell and Spear <i>v.</i> Camp, the defendants file their pleas and the plaintiffs their joinder thereto. <i>Ibid.</i>
SAT. MAR. 7	SPRINGFIELD. A jury is called in Vaughn <i>v.</i> Ransdell. Lincoln wins the case when the plaintiff is awarded \$245.96 and costs. Walker, the defendants attorney enters a motion for a new trial. Lincoln, Strong and Doremus represent the defendant in Crowl <i>v.</i> Lindsay. They win their case when judgment of the lower court is affirmed. <i>Ibid.</i>

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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln is appointed guardian for the infant heirs of Dr. Jacob M. Early, captain of his company in the Black Hawk War. Lincoln's survey of the piece of land (17.72 acres) involved in the case of *Butler v. Tilford et al.*, is accepted by the court, and as Commissioner, Lincoln now deeds the land to Butler. Judge Treat had appointed Lincoln at the November, 1839, term of the Sangamon Circuit Court. *Record; Deed Record, Book P.*

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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln as attorney for the plaintiff in *Carter v. Bennett & Ransdell*, moves the court for leave to amend his declaration. Motion granted and cause continued to next term. *Record.*

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SPRINGFIELD. The motion for a new trial made by Walker, attorney for the defendant, in *Vaughn v. Ransdell* on March 7th, is denied. *Ibid.*

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SPRINGFIELD. Stuart and Lincoln, attorneys for the plaintiff in *Spear v. Camp*, are given leave to amend the declaration. The case is tried before the court, and court takes time to consider. *Ibid.*

SAT.
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SPRINGFIELD. The Sangamon County Whig Convention nominates candidates for the legislature. The delegates disregard the wishes of the Springfield Junto and vote as they choose. Lincoln and Baker are both nominated, but Lincoln believes that except for their speaking ability they would have been dropped. Ninian W. Edwards is hurt by not being nominated. *Works, I, 150.*

SUN. MAR. 15	
MON. MAR. 16	SPRINGFIELD (and JACKSONVILLE?) In the Sangamon Circuit Court on motion of the complainant, the order issued on March 9, appointing Lincoln guardian for the infant heirs of Dr. Jacob M. Early is set aside. Richter <i>v.</i> Holtzman is dismissed by agreement. Lincoln is attorney for the plaintiff. In Jacksonville, E. D. Baker opens a three-day political debate. In all probability, Lincoln accompanies Baker to the neighboring town. <i>Record; Register, Mar. 27.</i>
TUE. MAR. 17	JACKSONVILLE. Josiah Lamborn replies to Baker's address of yesterday. Lincoln follows Lamborn in a speech at the Market House. Before he has finished, he is requested to postpone the balance of his speech until night. Douglas then takes the stand. At the court house in the evening, Lincoln speaks for two hours. He reads from the report of the Treasury a list of defaulters to prove corruption in the Van Buren administration. <i>Register, Mar. 27.</i>
WED. MAR. 18	JACKSONVILLE? William Brown of Jacksonville replies in the evening to the arguments presented by Douglas yesterday. Lamborn then "annihilated" Brown according to the <i>Register. Ibid.</i>
THU. MAR. 19	
FRI. MAR. 20	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln draws up the affidavit of the defendant in Ragsdale & Ashberry <i>v.</i> David Spear. Spear states that Ragsdale is unable to pay the costs of the suit and that Ashberry has become a non-resident of the State, and asks that the plaintiffs be ruled to give security for costs. <i>Photo in Illinois State Historical Library.</i>
SAT. MAR. 21	SPRINGFIELD. Writing Stuart, Lincoln says, "The Locos have no candidates on the track yet except Dick Taylor for the Senate. Last Saturday he made a speech, and May answered him. The way May let the wind out of him was a perfect wonder. The court-room was very full, and neither you nor I ever saw a crowd in this County so near all on one side. . . ." <i>Works, I, 150-151.</i>

SUN. MAR. 22	
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TUE. MAR. 24	
WED. MAR. 25	SPRINGFIELD. The clerk of the Sangamon Circuit Court gives Lincoln the execution in Kendall <i>v.</i> Moffitt, directed to the sheriff of Schuyler County. On November 28, 1839, Lincoln got a judgment for \$157.90 and costs for the plaintiff. The sheriff of Schuyler later returns the execution with the note “nothing made . . . for want of bidders.” <i>Execution Docket D.</i>
THU. MAR. 26	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes Stuart: “In relation to the Kinzie matter, I can say no more than this, that the check was taken from the bank by you, and on the same day you made a note in our memorandum-book stating that you had sent it by mail to Kinzie.” <i>Works, I</i> , 150. [At 7:30 in the evening, William H. Herndon and Mary J. Maxcy are married. <i>Register, April 3.</i>]
FRI. MAR. 27	SPRINGFIELD? The town trustees of Springfield, Lincoln, P. G. Canedy, Jonas Whitney, J. Klein, and P. C. Latham, give notice of the election of the first mayor and aldermen under the new city charter. <i>Journal, Mar. 27.</i> [Lincoln succeeded Samuel H. Treat as a trustee in June, 1839.]
SAT. MAR. 28	

SUN. MAR. 29	
MON. MAR. 30	
TUE. MAR. 31	SPRINGFIELD? [John Williams and Lydia Porter are married at the residence of Elijah Iles. Family tradition has it that Lincoln attended this wedding.]
WED. APR. 1	[The fifth number of <i>The Old Soldier</i> , a Whig campaign newspaper is published. <i>See Entry for Feb. 1. Photo.</i>]
THU. APR. 2	[A bill of complaint written by Lincoln is filed in the Circuit Court of Christian County at Taylorville in the case of Baker <i>v.</i> Addington <i>et al.</i> No other evidence of Lincoln's presence in Taylorville on this date is known, and it is quite possible that the bill of complaint was sent from Springfield by mail or messenger. <i>Record.</i>]
FRI. APR. 3	
SAT. APR. 4	

SUN. APR. 5	
MON. APR. 6	CARLINVILLE. Lincoln speaks at a Whig rally in the Court House. The Democratic <i>Register</i> calls him "the lion of the Tribe of Sangamon . . . and judging from outward appearance, originally from Liberia." <i>Alton Telegraph</i> , April 11; <i>Journal</i> , April 10.
TUE. APR. 7	CARLINVILLE. At the designated hour today the democratic orator fails to put in an appearance. The <i>Sangamo Journal</i> comments on the incident as follows: "the wood and the lamp were ready but the high priest came not to the sacrifice. At length the gentleman who had given the challenge appeared and gave notice there would be no debate unless Mr. Lincoln would get the crowd." <i>Journal</i> , May 8.
WED. APR. 8	EN ROUTE TO ALTON.
THU. APR. 9	ALTON. "A. Lincoln, Esq. . . . one of the Presidential electors addressed the citizens of Alton at the old court room Riley's Building . . . Although not more than two or three hours previous notice could be given of the intended meeting the room . . . was crowded . . . and his speech, although highly argumentive and logical, was enlivened with numerous anecdotes." <i>Alton Telegraph</i> , April 11.
FRI. APR. 10	EN ROUTE TO BELLEVILLE. [The <i>Sangamo Journal</i> begins advertising " <i>Lincoln's Speech and Tippecanoe Almanacs</i> —To be disposed of in quantities at this office."]
SAT. APR. 11	BELLEVILLE. The Whig rally opens in the Court House at ten-thirty in the morning. It soon adjourns to the public square and continues until dusk. The evening meeting in the Court House lasts until after midnight. Lincoln and nine other orators are heard. The <i>Missouri Republican</i> of April 13, declared Lincoln's speech was lucible, forcible and effective. <i>Register</i> , April 24.

SUN. APR. 12	
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TUE. APR. 14	
WED. APR. 15	[The sixth issue of the <i>The Old Soldier</i> , the Whig campaign newspaper is published today. See entry for Feb. 1. Photo.]
THU. APR. 16	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln attends a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the town of Springfield. The judges are chosen for the election of Mayor and Aldermen under the city charter, to be held on April 20th. <i>Minutes of the Board of Trustees</i> . [Lincoln was re-elected to the Board of Trustees on April 6.]
FRI. APR. 17	
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MON. APR. 20	SPRINGFIELD. In the evening Lincoln attends the last meeting of the Board of Trustees of the town of Springfield. The poll-books of the election, held during the day, are examined and the following Whigs are declared elected. For Mayor, B. S. Clement; for Aldermen, James R. Gray, Joseph Klein, Washington Iles and William Prentiss. <i>Minutes of the Board of Trustees.</i>
TUE. APR. 21	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes and files an amended declaration in Siloam Carter <i>v.</i> William T. Bennett and Wharton Ransdell in the Sangamon Circuit Court. He filed the declaration on Feb. 4. He files the declaration in Ransdell <i>v.</i> Lightfoot & Lightfoot. <i>Photo.</i>
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THU. APR. 30	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln as attorney for the plaintiffs in <i>J. & A. Kerr v. Constant & Francis</i> bids in two lots in Athens, at a sheriff's sale. He got a judgment for \$440.14 at the fall term of the Sanagamon Circuit Court. <i>Execution File No. 890.</i>
FRI. MAY 1	TREMONT. The spring term of the Tazewell Circuit Court opens for a nine day term. Out of town lawyers in attendance are Lincoln, Douglas, William L. May and William Thomas. <i>Journal</i> , May 15. [The seventh issue of <i>The Old Soldier</i> , the Whig campaign newspaper is published today. See entry for Feb. 1. Photo.]
SAT. MAY 2	TREMONT. The Tazewell Democratic Convention meets in the morning. At noon court adjourns and a debate between Lincoln, Douglas, May and Thomas begins. Lincoln opens the discussion with a denunciation of the Van Buren administration. He relates many amusing anecdotes which convulse the house with laughter and concludes with a vindication of the Hero of Tippecanoe. Douglas answers him. <i>Journal</i> , May 15.

SUN. MAY 3	TREMONT.
MON. MAY 4	TREMONT. The political debate, begun on Saturday, is concluded by May and Thomas. <i>Journal, May 15.</i>
TUE. MAY 5	TREMONT.
WED. MAY 6	TREMONT. Lincoln represents the plaintiff in Bruner <i>v.</i> Houser, <i>et al.</i> , and on his motion, William B. Parker is appointed guardian for the infant defendants. On the default of the defendants the petition for partition of the land is taken as confessed. Joseph Orendorff, William Ryan and Archy Bryant are appointed commissioners to make the partition. <i>Record.</i>
THU. MAY 7	TREMONT. Benjamin Kellogg, Jr. <i>v.</i> James W. Crain, an action in debt, is continued on the motion of the defendants attorney. Lincoln is for the plaintiff. <i>Ibid.</i>
FRI. MAY 8	TREMONT.
SAT. MAY 9	TREMONT.

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[At Bloomington the spring term of the McLean Circuit Court begins. Some of the records of the McLean Circuit Court are available, but the dockets and files were destroyed by fire in 1900. Thus it is impossible, except where collateral evidence is available, to determine those cases in which Lincoln participated. The term closes on May 15.]

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BLOOMINGTON. In John L. Clark, executor *v.* Nancy Withrow *et al.*, Lincoln is appointed guardian *ad litem*. *Record*.

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SUN. MAY 17	
MON. MAY 18	PONTIAC. The Livingston County Circuit Court opens a two day term. The dockets are not available, thus it is impossible, except where collateral evidence is available, to determine those cases in which Lincoln participated.
TUE. MAY 19	PONTIAC. In Popejoy <i>v.</i> Wilson, a case of trespass, Lincoln asks the clerk to issue a summons returnable to the next term. <i>Photo.</i>
WED. MAY 20	EN ROUTE TO CLINTON.
THU. MAY 21	CLINTON? [The Dewitt County Court convenes for a three day term. The records of the court for the forties are available but absence of the dockets makes it impossible to determine Lincoln's cases when his name does not appear on the record.]
FRI. MAY 22	CLINTON. In <i>ex parte</i> . Fruit and Walker, administrators of the estate of John McGee, petition to sell real estate, Lincoln is appointed guardian <i>ad litem</i> for the infant McGee. He files his answer, "knowing no reason why the petition should not be granted." Lincoln, Douglas and Benedict represent Spencer Turner who is indicted for the murder of Matthew K. Martin. <i>Record.</i>
SAT. MAY 23	CLINTON. A jury is called in the case of People <i>v.</i> Spencer Turner indicted on yesterday for murder. Lincoln enters a plea of not guilty in manner and form charged in the indictment. His argument to the jury is successful, the verdict of not guilty being returned. Lincoln receives a ninety day note for \$200 for his fee. <i>Ibid.</i>

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["Mr. Lincoln, one of the presidential electors for the state, is 'going it with a perfect rush' in some of the interior counties. Thus far the Locofocos have not been able to start a man that can hold a candle to him in political debate. All their crack nags . . . have come off the field crippled or broken down. He is wending his way north." *Quincy Whig*, May 25. The Macon Circuit Court opens a two day term at Decatur.]

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[The ninth issue of *The Old Soldier*, the Whig campaign newspaper is published today. See entry of Feb. 1. Photo.]

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SUN. MAY 31	
MON. JUNE 1	TAYLORVILLE. The Dane County (Christian) Circuit Court holds a one day session. The defendants default in Baker <i>v.</i> Ad-dington <i>et al.</i> James C. Conkling is appointed guardian <i>ad litem</i> . The court examines the complainant's exhibits and appoints Levi W. Goodan, commissioner to convey the land described in the com-plainant's bill. Lincoln had filed the bill on April 2nd. The com-missioner's report was approved June 2nd, 1842. <i>Record.</i>
TUE. JUNE 2	SPRINGFIELD. Delegations from all over the state begin arriving in town for the Young Men's Whig Convention to be held on the 3rd and 4th. "The spectator who looked on and saw the long lines of wagons, canoes, etc., filled with men and the hundreds on horse-back, might well have supposed that the whole sucker state had broken loose." <i>Transactions Illinois State Historical Society</i> , XX, 160.
WED. JUNE 3	SPRINGFIELD. The convention organizes at the Pavilion, at eight o'clock in the morning. At ten o'clock the grand procession begins, first come the soldiers of the Revolution, and the War of 1812, then the delegations from Missouri, Indiana and Iowa, followed by dele-gations from fifty-nine counties. Cook County takes the lead with its band and a miniature brig, thirty feet long. <i>Ibid.</i>
THU. JUNE 4	SPRINGFIELD. After the excitement of the previous day—a bar-becue and an afternoon and evening of continuous speaking—to-day's business meeting is a very tame affair, enlivened only by the very noisy departure of the various delegations. <i>Ibid.</i>
FRI. JUNE 5	
SAT. JUNE 6	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Lincoln takes the place of William Brown as attorney for the defendant in error in the case of Jesse B. Thomas <i>v.</i> Heirs of Baxter Broadwell, an appeal from Morgan County, and renews Brown's motion to have the cause stricken from the docket. The court grants the motion. <i>Record.</i>

SUN. JUNE 7	
MON. JUNE 8	PETERSBURG. The Menard Circuit Court opens a two day term. In <i>Sears et al. v. Summers et al.</i> , a petition to make title to land, Lincoln for complainant moves that David H. Rutledge (a brother of Ann Rutledge) be appointed guardian <i>ad litem</i> for Melvina and Levi Summers. <i>Record.</i>
TUE. JUNE 9	PETERSBURG. The judge orders, in <i>Sears et al. v. Summers et al.</i> , that the land transfer be made in accordance with the complainants' bill, the complainants to pay the costs. This case, commenced on Nov. 11th, 1839, had been continued on Lincoln's motion, to the June, 1840 term. <i>Ibid.</i>
WED. JUNE 10	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. On motion of Giles Spring, attorney for the plaintiff in error in <i>Scammon v. Cline</i> , the defendant is ruled to join in error. Lincoln appears for the defendant in error. This is generally considered Lincoln's first appearance in the Supreme Court, but it appears that he was one of the attorneys in <i>Thomas v. Heirs of Baxter Broadwell</i> on June 6, 1840. <i>Record.</i>
THU. JUNE 11	SPRINGFIELD. In the United States Circuit Court Stuart and Lincoln, attorneys for the plaintiffs, file the declaration in <i>Atwood & Jones v. Links</i> . The plaintiffs, a Pennsylvania firm are suing to collect on a note for \$1269.25. After hearing the evidence, Judges McLean and Pope award the plaintiff \$1643.76 damages. <i>Ibid.</i>
FRI. JUNE 12	[The summer term of the U. S. District and Circuit courts ended today. <i>Journal</i> , June 19.]
SAT. JUNE 13	[Lincoln is busy as a member of the Whig State Central Committee preparing an address to the people of Illinois, that will contain all the material facts in reference to Harrison and Van Buren—to silence the clamour against Harrison on abolition and slavery. This was published in <i>The Old Soldier</i> and as a pamphlet. <i>A. G. Henry to J. C. Howell</i> , Springfield, June 13. Photo in A. L. A. File.]

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[The tenth issue of *The Old Soldier*, the Whig campaign newspaper is published today. See entry for Feb. 1. Photo.]

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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes Jonathon G. Randall of Rushville, of the loss suffered by Randall's son Richard in Springfield. "The rascally Whigs, through a mistake, took his trunk containing all his clothes off to Chicago, and his heart is almost broken. Make him up some new ones just as you know he needs and make his heart glad." *Hertz, II*, 527.

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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln draws up an agreement between Reuben Radford and James F. Reed regarding the division of \$1000.00 which is now involved in a lawsuit of John L. Roberts *v.* Radford. Photo. Lincoln receives \$50.00 attorney fees from John Hogan, late Commissioner of the Board of Public Works. Photo.

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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln makes his first argument in the Supreme Court, when he appears for the defendant in Scammon *v.* Cline. Lincoln argues that the appeal from the justice of peace should have been taken to the circuit court of Jo Daviess County instead of Boone County, as held by the court of the latter. He loses the case, when the Supreme Court on Feb. 24, 1841 reverses the decision of the Boone Circuit Court. *Record*; 3 *Ill.* 456.

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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln draws a draft for \$35.93 on Simeon B. Williams of St. Louis, payable in ten days "at the counting room of H. N. Davis & Co., at St. Louis." He endorses it to Robert Irwin & Co., of Springfield. *Copy Book of Robert Irwin & Co., owned by Springfield Marine Bank.*

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[Stuart, in the name of Stuart and Lincoln, asks the clerk of the Sangamon Circuit Court to issue a summons in Thomas Simpson *v.* Samuel L. Hesser, a suit to collect a debt of \$200.00 and damages of \$150.00. *Photo.*]

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SHELBYVILLE. "We had a very able address delivered us by General [W. L. D.] Ewing; he was followed by Lincoln, but Mr. Lincoln had but a thin audience." *Shelbyville letter in Register, July 10.*

SUN. JUNE 28	
MON. JUNE 29	
TUE. JUNE 30	
WED. JULY 1	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln files the bill of complaint in <i>Hornsby v. Ragsdale et al.</i> , in the Sangamon Circuit Court. <i>Record</i> .
THU. JULY 2	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln files the declaration in <i>E. Iles v. Lyman et al.</i> , in the Sangamon Circuit Court. Iles is seeking to collect a note for \$120.00 given by the Lyman's to Eddin Lewis and taken over by Iles in January, 1840. <i>Photo</i> . [The eleventh issue of <i>The Old Soldier</i> , the Whig campaign newspaper was issued today. <i>See entry for Feb. 1. Photo.</i>]
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SUN. JULY 12	
MON. JULY 13	SPRINGFIELD. The Sangamon Circuit Court opens a term lasting three weeks. On the motion of Stuart and Lincoln, attorneys for the plaintiff, the trespass case of Keedy <i>v.</i> Elkin is dismissed. <i>Record.</i>
TUE. JULY 14	SPRINGFIELD. In Kendall <i>v.</i> Hardin and Reagen, continued from the March term, the plaintiff is awarded \$189.76 damages and costs when the defendants default. Stuart and Lincoln are attorneys for the plaintiff. <i>Ibid.</i>
WED. JULY 15	SPRINGFIELD. On motion of Stuart and Lincoln, attorneys for the plaintiff, Keedy <i>v.</i> Elkin, an assumpsit suit, is dismissed at the plaintiff's cost. [See Mar. 6.] <i>Ibid.</i> [The twelfth issue of <i>The Old Soldier</i> , a Whig Campaign newspaper is published. See entry for Feb. 1. <i>Photo.</i>]
THU. JULY 16	SPRINGFIELD. In Braucher <i>v.</i> Heirs of James Sales, the petition for partition of the real estate is granted and three commissioners appointed. On motion of plaintiff in Ransdell <i>v.</i> Calhoun, a writ of inquiry is awarded. Stuart and Lincoln represent the plaintiff in both cases. <i>Record.</i>
FRI. JULY 17	SPRINGFIELD. Judgment by default is ordered in Short <i>v.</i> Ditson & Ralston; Hornsby <i>v.</i> Elkins & Spear; Ditson <i>v.</i> McMurry and Dunham <i>v.</i> Laswell. Stuart and Lincoln appear for the plaintiff in all four cases. <i>Ibid.</i> "Mr. Lincoln desires to address the people at the court house in this place on Monday next, at 1 o'clock P.M." <i>Journal</i> , July 17.
SAT. JULY 18	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln asks that Trotter <i>v.</i> Thomas be continued for failure to serve process in time. He gets judgment by default for \$200.00 in Simpson <i>v.</i> Hesser. In Rucker <i>v.</i> Heirs of Jacob M. Early, he is appointed guardian <i>ad litem</i> for George N. Early and Jacob M. Early infant defendants. <i>Record.</i>

SUN. JULY 19	
MON. JULY 20	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln, in the Circuit Court, wins two cases by default, loses one and in the fourth case, the court takes time. <i>Record</i> . In the afternoon a political debate takes place in the court room between Lincoln and Jesse B. Thomas. Thomas charges Lincoln with the authorship of a series of letters criticizing Thomas' political activities, that appeared in the <i>Sangamo Journal</i> signed "A Conservative." <i>Register</i> , July 24.
TUE. JULY 21	SPRINGFIELD. Ransdell <i>v.</i> Lightfoot and Lightfoot is tried by the court and judgment awarded plaintiff, Lincoln's client. On his motion the defendant is ruled to file his answer in Hornsby <i>v.</i> Ragsdale <i>et al.</i> The court, in Trotter <i>v.</i> Arnold and Fairchild, orders the land described in the complainants bill sold to pay \$20.65 debt. <i>Record</i> . Lincoln draws up the answer of the defendant in the case of David Spear <i>v.</i> Joseph Klein. <i>Amer. Book Prices Current</i> .
WED. JULY 22	
THU. JULY 23	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln is appointed guardian <i>ad litem</i> for the infant defendant in partition suit of Benjamin S. Edwards <i>v.</i> John Cook. The defendant is the fifteen year old son of Daniel Pope Cook, early Congressman from Illinois. He was commissioned a Brigadier-General by President Lincoln in 1862. A jury is called in Ransdell <i>v.</i> Calhoun, and awards the plaintiff \$245.95. Stuart and Lincoln represent the plaintiff. <i>Ibid.</i>
FRI. JULY 24	
SAT. JULY 25	

SUN. JULY 26	[<i>The Old Soldier</i> , the Whig campaign paper of which Lincoln is one of the editors, issues an extra number. <i>Old Hickory</i> , its Democratic rival accuses the Whigs of failure to circulate <i>The Old Soldier</i> near Springfield "where its lies could have been branded."]
MON. JULY 27	SPRINGFIELD. On Lincoln's motion leave is granted him by the court to amend the bill in <i>Hornsby v. Ragsdale et al.</i> , and the cause is continued. <i>Record</i> .
TUE. JULY 28	[The thirteenth number of <i>The Old Soldier</i> , a Whig campaign newspaper is published. See entry for Feb. 1. Photo.]
WED. JULY 29	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln as guardian <i>ad litem</i> for the infant defendants in <i>Rucker v. Heirs of Jacob M. Early</i> is present when the deposition of Peter Rickard is taken. Rickard states that Early, as he was dying, said the land, described in the complainant's bill, should be deeded back to Rucker. Rucker on his removal to Iowa, had deeded the land to Early to hold in trust until prices improved. <i>Record</i> .
THU. JULY 30	
FRI. JULY 31	SPRINGFIELD. In <i>Spear v. Newton</i> the defendant files his demurrer to the supplemental bill of the complainant. After hearing the argument the court overrules the demurrer. Logan, Lincoln and Stuart are for the complainant and Strong and Doremus for the defendant. <i>Ibid</i> .
SAT. AUG. 1	SPRINGFIELD. The defendant in <i>Spear v. Newton</i> files his reasons and enters his motion to dismiss the complainant's supplemental bill. The court overrules, to which opinion the defendant excepts, and bill of exceptions is made a part of the record. Logan, Lincoln and Stuart are for the complainant. <i>Ibid</i> .

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SPRINGFIELD. Election day. Five Whigs are elected to the lower house of the Eleventh General Assembly. Lincoln votes for four Whigs and for J. M. Barrett a Democrat. His vote helps to elect E. D. Baker to the Illinois Senate. Darneille, Brown, Bradford and Francis are elected with Lincoln to the House. Lincoln polls the smallest vote of any of the elected candidates. His total is almost 600 more than that of the leading Democrat. *Election Returns.*

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[A declaration written by Lincoln is filed in the Circuit Court of Livingston County at Pontiac in the case of Popejoy *v.* Wilson. Popejoy is seeking \$2,000 damages for defamation of character. No other evidence of Lincoln's presence in Pontiac on this date is known, and it is quite possible that the declaration was sent from Springfield by mail or messenger.]

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SPRINGFIELD. Wm. F. Elkin gives \$10,000 bond as Sheriff of Sangamon County. The bond is signed by Elkin, John Williams, Benjamin Talbott, Robert Irwin, John Constant and Lincoln. *Record.*

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THU. AUG. 13	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln files the complainant's amended bill in <i>Hornsby v. Ragsdale et al.</i> , in the Sangamon Circuit Court. <i>Record.</i>
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SPRINGFIELD. ["Ed. Baker, Lincoln, Governor Duncan and myself, are going to spend all our time in the southern counties, discussing the principles of our party . . . and challenge these men to a fair discussion of this administration, organize our friends, circulate documents amongst them and in this way, my word for it, we must succeed. . . ." *A. P. Field to H. Eddy, Aug. 17, Eddy MSS.*]

TUE.
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SPRINGFIELD and EN ROUTE. Lincoln starts on a campaign trip. (Writing to Henry Eddy on August 17, A. P. Field stated: "Tomorrow Lincoln and myself leave for Belleville." *Ibid.*) The *Register* commented: "The Junto have determined in secret conclave to revolutionize the southern part of the State, and have appointed A. P. Field and A. Lincoln missionaries to . . . the benighted region." *Register, Aug. 21.*

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EN ROUTE. [Where Lincoln was between August 18 and 22 has not been ascertained, but it is reasonable to believe that he and Field were meeting with Whig leaders in the county seats south and southwest of Springfield.]

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BELLEVILLE? [Although no evidence of Lincoln's presence in Belleville on this day has been found, Field's letter of Aug. 17 (*See entry for Aug. 18*) indicates that it was his and Lincoln's immediate destination. The distance from Springfield—approximately 100 miles—could have been covered easily in four days.]

SUN. AUG. 23	WATERLOO. "The traveling missionaries, Lincoln and Field, reached Waterloo on Sunday." <i>Register</i> , Sept. 4.
MON. AUG. 24	WATERLOO. Early on Monday morning a notice is posted at the court house that Lincoln will address the people on Tuesday. <i>Ibid.</i>
TUE. AUG. 25	WATERLOO. A large crowd of Whigs and Democrats gather to hear Lincoln. Adam Snyder, a Democratic Presidential Elector, replies to Lincoln's two hour address with an address of equal length. Lincoln "seemed like a man traveling over unknown ground," declares the <i>Register</i> . <i>Ibid.</i> ; <i>Belleville Advocate</i> , Aug. 29.
WED. AUG. 26	EN ROUTE TO MOUNT VERNON? The exact day of Lincoln's speech in Mount Vernon has not been determined, but it is assumed that today and tomorrow are spent in making the eighty mile trip from Waterloo to Mount Vernon.
THU. AUG. 27	EN ROUTE TO MOUNT VERNON?
FRI. AUG. 28	MOUNT VERNON? On or about this date Lincoln and John A. McClernand Whig and Democratic electoral candidates, hold a political debate in the Methodist Church, then unfinished. <i>Recollections of Reverend John Johnson</i> , 259.
SAT. AUG. 29	

SUN. AUG. 30	
MON. AUG. 31	[Lincoln does not vote in the special election for county surveyor. A political debate between John T. Stuart, S. A. Douglas and E. D. Baker attracts a large crowd in Springfield. <i>Register, Sept. 4.</i>]
TUE. SEPT. 1	[Lincoln attends a Whig barbecue in Carmi. Following the parade and flag pole raising he speaks in the park. He is the guest of Edwin B. Webb, who is also a Whig presidential elector. <i>Recollection of Miss Mary Stewart of Carmi, who heard the story from the daughter of Webb.</i>]
WED. SEPT. 2	[Lincoln and Webb drive to Mt. Carmel in a one seated buggy. Webb's daughter Patty, who sits on Lincoln's lap during the journey, is to enter the seminary at Mt. Carmel. <i>Ibid.</i>]
THU. SEPT. 3	[Lincoln probably speaks at Mt. Carmel today. <i>Ibid.</i>]
FRI. SEPT. 4	
SAT. SEPT. 5	SHAWNEETOWN. A political debate between Lincoln and John A. McClernand is held. <i>Register, Sept. 25.</i>

SUN. SEPT. 6	SHAWNEETOWN.
MON. SEPT. 7	SHAWNEETOWN. Lincoln's activities for the next few days have not been determined. Court begins in Shawneetown today. [Between the 7th and the 17th, he had two debates with Josiah Lamborn, one in Shawneetown and the other in Equality. At Shawneetown, Lincoln denounces the speech of Whig Congressman Ogle of Penn. in which Ogle ridiculed Van Buren's White House furnishings.]
TUE. SEPT. 8	[Tradition states that Lincoln spoke in Morganfield, Kentucky, fifteen miles from Shawneetown in the campaign of 1840. He was accompanied by a delegation from Shawneetown. While in Morganfield the delegation was the guest at the best hotel in town at the expense of George W. Riddell.]
WED. SEPT. 9	
THU. SEPT. 10	[The sixteenth number of <i>The Old Soldier</i> , the Whig campaign newspaper is published. See entry for Feb. 1. Photo.]
FRI. SEPT. 11	
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EQUALITY. Lincoln hears Josiah Lamborn's speech. *Register*,
Sept. 25, Oct. 2.

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EQUALITY. Lincoln replies to Lamborn's speech of yesterday.
Ibid.

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[According to tradition Lincoln speaks in Marshall in the afternoon
and at Casey in the evening about this date in September. *George
W. Smith to compiler, Carbondale, Ill., Sept. 5, 1939.*]

SUN. SEPT. 20	
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WED. SEPT. 23	[The seventeenth number of <i>The Old Soldier</i> , the Whig campaign newspaper is published. <i>See entry for Feb. 1. Photo.</i>]
THU. SEPT. 24	[The Tazewell Circuit Court opens for an eight day term.]
FRI. SEPT. 25	[Lincoln is still in the lower part of the State, addressing the people. McClernand has called on Lamborn to come and help him in the debates. "Lamborn," comments the <i>Journal</i> , "though well disposed to earn something in laboring for the party, has succeeded little better than his friend McClernand. Nothing has been heard from Mr. Snyder since his Waterloo defeat." <i>Journal. Sept. 25.</i>]
SAT. SEPT. 26	[The letter of Lincoln to an unknown correspondent of this date, printed in Tracy: <i>Uncollected Letters of Abraham Lincoln</i> , page five is a forgery.]

SUN. SEPT. 27	
MON. SEPT. 28	
TUE. SEPT. 29	
WED. SEPT. 30	TREMONT. Kellogg <i>v.</i> Crain, an action in debt, dismissed on the 25th for want of prosecution, is reinstated on motion of the plaintiff, and the cause continued. Stuart and Lincoln are attorneys for the plaintiff. <i>Record</i> . [The eighteenth issue of <i>The Old Soldier</i> , a Whig campaign newspaper is published today. It is numbered seventeen by mistake. <i>See entry for Feb. 1. Photo.</i>]
THU. OCT. 1	
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SUN. OCT. 4	
MON. OCT. 5	[The McLean County Circuit Court opens a four day session at Bloomington.]
TUE. OCT. 6	
WED. OCT. 7	
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FRI. OCT. 9	
SAT. OCT. 10	

SUN. OCT. 11	
MON. OCT. 12	[The Livingston Circuit Court convenes at Pontiac for a two day term.]
TUE. OCT. 13	
WED. OCT. 14	
THU. OCT. 15	[The DeWitt County Circuit Court convenes at Clinton for a two day term.]
FRI. OCT. 16	
SAT. OCT. 17	

SUN. OCT. 18	
MON. OCT. 19	[The Macon Circuit Court opens for a three day term at Decatur.]
TUE. OCT. 20	[Lincoln and Isaac P. Walker, Democrat presidential elector have a debate in “mid-autumn” in Albion, Illinois. On the morning of the debate Lincoln borrows a copy of Byron’s poems from the log school house. Gibson W. Harris, “My Recollections of Abraham Lincoln,” in <i>Farm & Fireside</i> , Dec. 1, 1904.]
WED. OCT. 21	[Lincoln spent a night at the home of Wm. Verden in the south east corner of Wayne County, some five miles west of Albion. This visit was probably made the day after his address at Albion. Verden and Lincoln reminisced on their experiences, the former in the War of 1812 and the latter in the Black Hawk War. <i>Journal, Ill. State Hist. Soc.</i> , Oct. 1915, 518.]
THU. OCT. 22	
FRI. OCT. 23	[“The <i>Register</i> publishes a letter from one of our southern counties in which it is stated that John A. McClernand is using up A. Lincoln in his addresses to the people. This is too simple a lie to tell here. Even the Locos are ashamed of it. Abraham Lincoln used up by John A. McClernand, Bah!” <i>Journal</i> , Oct. 23.]
SAT. OCT. 24	

SUN. OCT. 25	
MON. OCT. 26	[The Christian County Circuit Court convenes for a three day term.]
TUE. OCT. 27	
WED. OCT. 28	
THU. OCT. 29	[The Logan Circuit Court is scheduled to open today at Postville. The records, dockets and files of this court were destroyed by fire in 1857. Consequently little information is available on Lincoln's practice prior to this date.]
FRI. OCT. 30	LAWRENCEVILLE. It appears from Lincoln's letter of tomorrow to W. G. Anderson that he was in Lawrenceville on this day. <i>Works, I, 151.</i>
SAT. OCT. 31	LAWRENCEVILLE. In reply to a note received the day before from W. G. Anderson, Lincoln denies he is the aggressor in the difficulty between them. His statements, he says, were made as a fair set-off to those of Anderson, and he entertains no unkind feelings, and regrets getting into such an altercation. <i>Works, I, 151. (3)</i>

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SUN. NOV. 1		
MON. NOV. 2	[There is no record that Lincoln voted in the presidential election held today.]	
TUE. NOV. 3	[The Menard Circuit Court opens a three day term.]	
WED. NOV. 4		
THU. NOV. 5	EN ROUTE TO SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln is selected to bring the returns of the election to Springfield to be filed with the Secretary of State. It took possibly two days after the election on Monday to gather at Lawrenceville the election returns of Lawrence County. Lincoln probably spent the last three days of this week en route to Springfield. <i>See entry for Nov. 9.</i>	
FRI. NOV. 6		
SAT. NOV. 7		

SUN. NOV. 8	
MON. NOV. 9	SPRINGFIELD. The fall term of the Sangamon County Circuit Court begins. It closes on December 3. Lincoln receives \$19.00 from the State Auditor for bringing returns of the Presidential election from Lawrence County. <i>Photo.</i>
TUE. NOV. 10	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln has four cases in the circuit court in each of which he represents the plaintiff. In Ransdell <i>v.</i> Mills he obtains leave to amend the declaration; in Gatton <i>v.</i> Turner and Ranson he gets a judgment by default for \$129.20. In Trotter <i>v.</i> Thomas the defendant files his plea in abatement; in Sarah Brown, Guardian, the petition to sell real estate is granted. <i>Record.</i>
WED. NOV. 11	SPRINGFIELD. Gest and Mills <i>v.</i> Henkle and Clarke is dismissed on motion of plaintiff's attorneys, Stuart and Lincoln. In Trotter <i>v.</i> Thomas, Lincoln files his demurrer to the defendant's plea in abatement filed yesterday. <i>Ibid.</i>
THU. NOV. 12	SPRINGFIELD. Stuart and Lincoln, representing the complainants in Braucher <i>v.</i> Heirs of James Sales, hear the report of the commissioners that the real estate is not suitable to partition, whereupon, the court orders it sold. William F. Elkin is appointed to make the sale. <i>Ibid.</i>
FRI. NOV. 13	SPRINGFIELD. Funk <i>et al. v.</i> Taylor <i>et al.</i> , is continued for want of service in time, and Ransdell <i>v.</i> Mills is continued at defendant's cost. Scammon, Logan & Lincoln are for the plaintiff in the first case, and Stuart and Lincoln in the second. After hearing Lincoln's demurrer to the defendant's plea in abatement in Trotter <i>v.</i> Thomas, the court orders demurrer sustained and plaintiff to recover \$791.46. <i>Ibid.</i>
SAT. NOV. 14	SPRINGFIELD. Isaac S. Britton, the commissioner appointed by the court in Spear <i>v.</i> Newton (<i>see Aug. 1</i>) files his amended report. <i>Ibid.</i>

SUN. NOV. 15	
MON. NOV. 16	SPRINGFIELD. In the Sangamon Circuit Court David Spear, one of the defendants in <i>Hornsby v. Ragsdale et al.</i> , files his answer and exhibit. Lincoln is attorney for the plaintiff. <i>Record</i> .
TUE. NOV. 17	SPRINGFIELD. The <i>Courier</i> , Springfield newspaper, satirizes the politicians of the town by pointing out that Lincoln and other Whigs are on friendly terms with the Democrats in spite of the personal abuse which they directed toward each other during the recent campaign. <i>Nov. 17</i> .
WED. NOV. 18	SPRINGFIELD. <i>Wood and Abbott v. Ross</i> is continued to the next term by the plaintiff's attorneys Stuart and Lincoln. <i>Record</i> .
THU. NOV. 19	
FRI. NOV. 20	
SAT. NOV. 21	

SUN. NOV. 22	
MON. NOV. 23	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln attends the opening of a called session of the House of Representatives. The members meet in the Methodist Church, which is wholly unfit for their purpose. The Senate meets in their chamber in the State House which has been temporarily fitted up for the occasion. The House has 40 Whigs and 51 Democrats, the Senate 14 Whigs and 26 Democrats. <i>Alton Telegraph</i> , Nov. 28.
TUE. NOV. 24	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. The House holds its election for Speaker; W. L. D. Ewing receives 46 and Lincoln 36 votes. Ewing is conducted to the chair by Lincoln and Ebenezer Peck. Lincoln introduces a resolution to inform the Senate that the House has met and elected officers. He is appointed one of the committee of seven to prepare and report rules for the government of the House. <i>House Journal</i> .
WED. NOV. 25	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln votes for Newton Cloud, who is elected copyist of the Journal of the House. Lincoln is chosen with English of Greene, and Carpenter of Hamilton, to sit with two members of the Senate on the joint rules committee. He speaks and votes against printing 8,000 copies of the Governor's Message. <i>Ibid</i> .
THU. NOV. 26	SPRINGFIELD. In each of three cases in the Circuit Court, Barrett <i>v.</i> Spear, Crain <i>v.</i> Grubb and Shackelford <i>v.</i> Shackelford, the defendant confesses his indebtedness and judgment is entered against him. In each case Lincoln represents the defendant. <i>Record</i> .
FRI. NOV. 27	[The legislature is in session. Lincoln does not vote on the only two questions upon which a roll call is taken.]
SAT. NOV. 28	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln is appointed to committees on Finance and Canal and Canal Lands. He offers a resolution to have as much of the Governor's message as relates to fraudulent voting referred to the Committee on Elections. The Democrats stop this Whig move by an amendment that refers the investigation to a joint committee. <i>House Journal</i> .

SUN.
NOV.
29

MON.
NOV.
30

SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln does not attend the morning session. He opposes the move of Trumbull of St. Clair and other Democrats to have the Governor appoint an agent to take over all books and property of the Internal Improvement system, now under the Board of Public Works. *House Journal*.

TUE.
DEC.
1

SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. An amendment proposed by Woodson of Greene to dismiss the Board of Public Works and turn its affairs over to the Fund Commissioners, is referred to the committee on Internal Improvements by a vote of 46-40, Lincoln voting with the majority. *Ibid*.

WED.
DEC.
2

SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln offers a resolution: "That the committee on education . . . inquire into the expediency of providing by law for examination as to qualifications of persons, offering themselves as school-teachers, that no teacher shall receive any part of the public school fund who shall not have successfully passed an examination." Nothing came of this resolution. *Ibid*.

THU.
DEC.
3

SPRINGFIELD. In the Circuit Court, *Harrison v. Hart et al.*, is submitted to Judge William Thomas of the First Judicial District, by agreement. Logan and Baker represent the complainant, Lincoln and Campbell the defendants. In *Spear v. Newton*, the court orders the Auditor to pay the complainant, Lincoln's client, \$820.39 and the defendant \$350.00. No roll calls are taken so it is not known if Lincoln attended the Legislature. *Record*.

FRI.
DEC.
4

SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Norman H. Purple of Peoria petitions the House, claiming the seat of William J. Phelps. Lincoln moves that the House take up the petition at once, arguing that party feeling would be augmented by delay. He proposes that the Governor be authorized to issue "interest bonds," to defray the interest on the State debt. *House Journal; Works, I, 154-5*.

SAT.
DEC.
5

SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Whigs, eager for party reasons to prevent the *sine die* adjournment of the House, absent themselves so that there will be no quorum. Lincoln, Gillespie and Gridley are present as observers. Over confident, they vote on a roll call. When a quorum is announced they are taken by surprise, lose their heads in the excitement and jump out the window—all to no avail. *Ibid.*; *Sparta Democrat, Feb. 21, 1841*.

SUN. DEC. 6	
MON. DEC. 7	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. The House assembles in the new State House to begin the second session of the Twelfth General Assembly. Lincoln opposes placing the unfinished business of the last session in the same order in the present session. He introduces a bill to provide for the payment of the interest on the State debt and on his motion, the bill of Peck of Cook for the same purpose is read the second time by title. <i>House Journal</i> .
TUE. DEC. 8	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. On Lincoln's motion the rules are suspended and his bill to provide for the payment of interest on the public debt is taken up. A motion to refer the bill to the committee on banks fails. He and Trumbull then add certain amendments designed to give the Fund Commissioner power to hypothecate State bonds to pay interest due and the cost of certain suits brought by the State. <i>Ibid</i> .
WED. DEC. 9	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. An act to vacate the town plat of the town of Livingston is, on Lincoln's motion, referred to a select committee composed of Lincoln, Gridley of McLean and Menard of Tazewell. <i>Ibid</i> .
THU. DEC. 10	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln's and Trumbull's amendments to the bill providing for the payment of interest on the public debt, introduced on Tuesday are taken up and passed. Hicks of Jefferson brings in a bill for a similar act, which, on Lincoln's motion is referred to the committee on Finance. <i>Ibid</i> . [A fashionable ball is held in the evening at the American House.]
FRI. DEC. 11	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. The internal improvement interest bill is taken up. An amendment by Kitchell of Montgomery provides that no interest be paid upon bonds that have been parted with in violation of the law, and when no consideration therefore has been received by the State, is voted upon and passed 41-40. Lincoln votes nay. <i>House Journal</i> .
SAT. DEC. 12	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. The amendment of Cavarly of Greene to the bill giving the fund commissioner power to hypothecate enough bonds to pay the interest due on the internal improvement debt is lost by a vote of 41-47, Lincoln voting yea. He reports from the committee, "An act to vacate the town plat of the town of Livingston." <i>Ibid</i> .

SUN. DEC. 13	
MON. DEC. 14	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. A bill authorizing the circuit judges to appoint and remove clerks at their pleasure is refused a second reading, Lincoln voting nay. He votes against engrossing for a third reading the bill of Hicks of Jefferson to provide for the payment of interest on the internal improvement debt. <i>House Journal.</i>
TUE. DEC. 15	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln votes against a resolution authorizing the Governor to appoint three suitable persons to make a complete investigation into the conduct and proceedings of the Canal Commissioners. A Senate bill authorizing \$300,000 in bonds to be hypothecated to pay interest on the internal improvement debt passes the House. Lincoln votes for it. <i>Ibid.</i>
WED. DEC. 16	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. The resolution of Hardin of Morgan County to have the electors vote for or against a Constitutional Convention at the next election of members of the General Assembly is tabled. Lincoln votes with the majority. Samuel McRoberts, Democrat, is elected to the U. S. Senate over Cyrus Edwards, Whig, 77 to 50. Lincoln votes for Edwards. <i>Ibid.</i>
THU. DEC. 17	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln attends the legislature. He writes to Stuart about yesterday's senatorial election, and about a number of applicants for offices at Stuart's disposal. "This affair of appointment to office is very annoying," he says, "—more so to you than to me, doubtless. I am, as you know, opposed to removals to make places for our friends." <i>Ibid.</i> ; <i>Works, I</i> , 156.
FRI. DEC. 18	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. The Senate and House meet in the Hall of the House of Representatives to elect an Attorney General. Josiah Lamborn, Democrat, is elected, 75 to 45, over David M. Woodson, the Whig candidate. Lincoln votes for Woodson. <i>House Journal.</i>
SAT. DEC. 19	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln is appointed chairman of a select committee to consider his resolution to inquire into the large expenditure for public printing. He votes for an amendment requiring school commissioners to keep their offices at their respective county seats. His motion to table the amendment of Murphy of Cook for state-wide prohibition is adopted 75 to 8. <i>Ibid.</i>

SUN. DEC. 20	
MON. DEC. 21	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. The motion of Hardin of Morgan to seat William J. Phelps as representative from Peoria is adopted, 48-33, Lincoln voting aye. He opposes the bill for the relief of William Dormandy. He points out that Dormandy has twice brought charred notes to the State Bank and has been refused payment, and that this refusal has been upheld by a court decision. <i>House Journal</i> .
TUE. DEC. 22	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Lincoln and Strong, attorneys for the appellants file the record and assignment of errors in <i>Elkin et al. v. People ex rel.</i> , a suit on a sheriff's bond from Sangamon County. Logan, for the appellee joins in error. <i>Record</i> .
WED. DEC. 23	SPRINGFIELD? [The House of Representatives meets only in the morning and no roll calls are taken so it is not certain if Lincoln is in attendance. <i>House Journal</i> .]
THU. DEC. 24	SPRINGFIELD? [Lincoln does not vote on the resolution to adjourn the House from Thursday evening to Monday morning. The resolution passed the House but was not concurred in by the Senate. This is the only vote taken, so it is not certain if he is in attendance on this day. <i>Ibid.</i>]
FRI. DEC. 25	[A. Bielaski opens a school on the third floor of Delany's brick building to give instructions in the use of the "Broadsword, Bayonet and Lance . . . Instructions at all hours of the day." It has been conjectured that Lincoln may have taken some lessons in the use of the broadsword, and therefore chose this weapon in the duel with Shields in the fall of 1842. <i>Springfield Courier</i> , Dec. 25. Bielaski was an engineer employed in railroad surveying.
SAT. DEC. 26	[The House of Representatives met, but no quorum being present it adjourned.]

SUN. DEC. 27	
MON. DEC. 28	SPRINGFIELD? [No roll call was taken in the House of Representatives today so it is not possible to tell whether Lincoln attended.]
TUE. DEC. 29	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln introduces bills to establish a ferry across the Illinois river; and for the relief of the creditors of the late William Wernwag. Wernwag had a contract to build a bridge across the Sangamon River, five miles north of Springfield, and was heavily in debt at the time of his death. <i>House Journal</i> .
WED. DEC. 30	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln votes aye on a resolution instructing the committee on education to report a bill distributing the State School Fund among the several counties, in proportion to the number of white inhabitants under twenty years of age. He votes nay on resolutions instructing the Illinois delegation to prevent repeal of the Independent Treasury law and the reestablishment of a National Bank. <i>Ibid</i> .
THU. DEC. 31	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. A combination bill calling for the repeal of the appropriation for the library of the Legislature and Supreme Court and repealing the premium on wolf scalps is subjected to many legislative manoeuvres. The second section is finally stricken out 53 ayes to 25 nays, Lincoln voting aye. Five thousand dollars was later voted for the library. <i>Ibid</i> .
FRI. JAN. 1	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. On this day, "the fatal 1st of January, 1841," Lincoln passes through an emotional crisis the exact nature of which is still unknown. One story is that he failed to appear at his own wedding; but more probably he broke his engagement with Mary Todd. Whatever the occurrence, the result for him was acute mental anguish. <i>Ibid.</i> ; <i>Works, I, 214</i> .
SAT. JAN. 2	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. On four votes taken on the bill to regulate tavern and grocery licenses, Lincoln does not vote, his only activity being two votes for adjournment at the close of the day. <i>House Journal</i> .

SUN. JAN. 3	
MON. JAN. 4	SPRINGFIELD. [Lincoln's name does not appear on the eight votes taken on this day. <i>House Journal</i> .]
TUE. JAN. 5	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. The act incorporating the town of Galesburg in Knox County is passed, 52-31, Lincoln voting aye. His name does not appear on the three roll-calls taken in the afternoon. <i>Ibid</i> . Lincoln files the bill for divorce of Ann McDaniel <i>v.</i> Patrick McDaniel in the Sangamon Circuit Court. <i>Photo</i> .
WED. JAN. 6	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. An act providing for the safe-keeping and delivery of the public money, is read a third time and on the passage of the bill, is rejected 41-41, Lincoln voting nay. <i>House Journal</i> .
THU. JAN. 7	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Hardin moves to take up for consideration the circuit court bill laid on the table yesterday. The motion is agreed to by a vote of 43-40, Lincoln voting aye. <i>Ibid</i> .
FRI. JAN. 8	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. To celebrate Jackson's victory at New Orleans the house dispenses with the rules, 63-19, Lincoln voting aye. On the resolution that the military fame of Andrew Jackson has been rivalled by his equally successful and distinguished services to the nation as a statesman and benefactor of the people, Lincoln casts a negative vote. <i>Ibid</i> .
SAT. JAN. 9	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln votes with the majority to table a resolution to instruct the Committee on the Judiciary to inquire into the expediency of reporting a bill for a stay law, to stay proceedings on judgments and executions. <i>Ibid</i> .

SUN.
JAN.
10

MON.
JAN.
11

SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln opposes an investigation of the accounts of the late Board of Public Works. *House Journal.*

TUE.
JAN.
12

SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln answers two of the four roll-calls of the day. *Ibid.*

WED.
JAN.
13

SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln is absent from the Legislature because of illness. His name does not appear on any of the roll calls from January 13 to 19.

THU.
JAN.
14

SPRINGFIELD. [See entry for yesterday.]

FRI.
JAN.
15

SPRINGFIELD. [See entry for Jan. 13.]

SAT.
JAN.
16

SPRINGFIELD. [See entry for Jan. 13.]

SUN.
JAN.
17

SPRINGFIELD. [See entry for Jan. 13.]

MON.
JAN.
18

SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln still absents himself from the Legislature. His condition is suggested by a correspondent of John J. Hardin, who had left Springfield a few days earlier: "We have been very much distressed, on Mr. Lincoln's account; hearing he had two Cat fits, and a Duck fit since we left. Is it true? Do let me hear soon." *Martin McKee to Hardin, Jacksonville, Jan. 22. Hardin MSS.*

TUE.
JAN.
19

SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln attends the Legislature for at least part of the day, but he "is reduced and emaciated in appearance and seems scarcely to possess strength enough to speak above a whisper. His case at present is truly deplorable but what prospect there may be for ultimate relief I cannot pretend to say." *Sandburg and Angle, Mary Lincoln, 179 (4).*

WED.
JAN.
20

SPRINGFIELD. In a letter to John T. Stuart in Congress, Lincoln writes urging the appointment of Dr. A. G. Henry as postmaster in Springfield. "I have within the last few days, been making a most discreditable exhibition of myself in the way of hypochondriasm and thereby got an impression that Dr. Henry is necessary to my existence." *Angle, 8.*

THU.
JAN.
21

SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. The long fight to change the membership of the Supreme Court from a Whig to a Democratic majority begins. Lincoln opposes the addition of five new members to the court. The Senate bill to increase the payment of bounty on wolf scalps is postponed indefinitely, Lincoln voting aye. *House Journal.*

FRI.
JAN.
22

SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln votes on the one roll call in the morning. In the evening he attends a meeting of friends at Butler's where he submits the question of Stuart's reelection to Congress and finds all in favor of his candidacy. *House Journal; Works, I, 158.*

SAT.
JAN.
23

SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln writes Stuart that he is now "the most miserable man living. If what I feel were equally distributed to the whole human family, there would not be one cheerful face on the earth." He is considering a change in his law partnership from Stuart to Logan and the possibility of a federal appointment. He says: "If I could be myself, I would rather remain at home with Judge Logan." *House Journal; Works, I, 158.*

SUN. JAN. 24	
MON. JAN. 25	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. The House some days ago amended the Senate bill for reapportionment of representation in the legislature. Now Trumbull moves that the House recede from its amendments. The motion to recede is lost, 32-54, Lincoln voting nay. <i>House Journal</i> .
TUE. JAN. 26	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. The House devotes most of the morning to resolutions, amendments and roll calls on ways and means of collecting the third installment [\$16,666.66] due the State from the citizens of Springfield on the pledge of \$50,000 toward the erection of the State House. Lincoln favors the payment, by the city, of its obligation. <i>Ibid</i> .
WED. JAN. 27	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. On Lincoln's motion the Senate bill for "An act making an appropriation for work done on the State House," is read a third time and passed. He introduces a bill for "An act authorizing certain debtors of the State to discharge their indebtedness in Illinois Internal Improvement scrip." Under this bill, passed later in the session, Springfield paid the debt mentioned in entry for Jan. 26. <i>Ibid</i> .
THU. JAN. 28	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln votes for an amendment to an act in relation to the payment of the Auditor's warrants, and later against the passage of the bill. He opposes an amendment to move the adjournment date up from February 22 to March 1. <i>Ibid</i> .
FRI. JAN. 29	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln presents the petition of citizens of Sangamon County to authorize Richard C. Norred to erect a mill-dam across the Sangamon river. On his motion it is referred to a select committee of which he is appointed chairman and Francis of Sangamon and White of Logan the other members. On two roll-calls he opposes the bill for reorganizing the judiciary. <i>Ibid</i> .
SAT. JAN. 30	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln favors an act granting timber belonging to the internal improvement system to the county of Vermilion, for the purpose of building a bridge on the abutments erected for the Northern Cross Railroad, over the Big Vermilion River at Danville. So many amendments are proposed that the passage of the bill appears to be hopeless and it is tabled. <i>Ibid</i> .

SUN. JAN. 31	
MON. FEB. 1	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln votes nay on three amendments to an act to establish a ferry at Peoria. He reports from the Committee on Finance and recommends passage of the bill authorizing certain debtors of the State to discharge their indebtedness in internal improvement scrip. The bill reorganizing the judiciary is passed, 45-43, Lincoln voting nay. <i>House Journal</i> .
TUE. FEB. 2	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln votes in favor of reducing the size of counties to be formed in the future, from 400 to 325 square miles. <i>Ibid</i> . In the Supreme Court Lincoln and Strong for the appellant and Logan for the appellee argue the case of Elkin <i>et al.</i> v. People <i>ex rel.</i> (The judgment of the Sangamon Circuit Court was affirmed on Jan. 12, 1842.) <i>Record</i> .
WED. FEB. 3	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln's name appears on two of the three roll-calls of the day. <i>House Journal</i> . In the supreme court, Nichols v. Rickels, an appeal from Sangamon is argued by Logan and Lincoln for the defendant. (On Jan. 26, 1842, the judgment of the lower court is affirmed with costs.) <i>Record</i> .
THU. FEB. 4	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln introduces a bill for an act to supplement the charter of the Springfield and Alton Turnpike Company. On his motion the bill is referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements. An act creating a Board of Auditors to settle the accounts of contractors on public works is passed, Lincoln voting aye. <i>House Journal</i> .
FRI. FEB. 5	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes Stuart, suggesting E. B. Webb for District Attorney. "I really have my heart set upon Webb's appointment . . . the whole party would be gratified with it." He informs Stuart there is some talk among the Democrats of altering the Congressional District. In the legislature, he presents a remonstrance against a mill dam across the Sangamon. <i>Tracy</i> , 6; <i>House Journal</i> .
SAT. FEB. 6	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. The Democrats table a Whig resolution designed to suspend the operation of the judiciary bill passed February 1st. The vote is 45-35, Lincoln voting nay. He votes in favor of allowing the Fund Commissioners to give state bonds for internal improvement and canal scrip, where the holders of the same shall desire it. <i>Ibid</i> .

SUN. FEB. 7	
MON. FEB. 8	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. On Lincoln's motion the House resolves itself into a committee of the whole to consider committee reports on public lands. Lincoln writes a circular for the Whig Committee protesting the passage of the act reorganizing the judiciary. The committee signing the protest are S. H. Little, E. D. Baker, J. J. Hardin, E. B. Webb, J. Gillespie and Lincoln. <i>House Journal</i> .
TUE. FEB. 9	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln from the select committee reports with amendments an act providing for the election of a Public Binder. Ross of Fulton from the select committee reports an act to divide certain money between the counties of Cass, Menard and Sangamon, with amendments. On Lincoln's motion consideration is indefinitely postponed. <i>Ibid</i> .
WED. FEB. 10	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. The bill authorizing certain debtors to discharge their indebtedness in Illinois internal improvement scrip is passed 57-33, Lincoln voting aye. His name appears on seven roll-calls resulting from moves of the Whig members to forestall the passage of the new judiciary bill; the council of revision having vetoed the first bill. The bill finally passes 46-43. <i>Ibid</i> .
THU. FEB. 11	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln's name appears on nine roll-calls during the day. <i>Ibid</i> .
FRI. FEB. 12	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. The Senate resolution providing for the election of five additional Supreme Court judges is amended to provide also for the election of a President, Acting Commissioner and Treasurer of the Canal Board. Lincoln votes aye on the amendment. The Whig bill to suspend an act to reorganize the Judiciary of Illinois is referred to the Committee on Finance. <i>Ibid</i> .
SAT. FEB. 13	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. An amendment to the election bill, providing for a secret written ballot "Which shall not be opened, or the vote counted until the closing of the polls," is lost, Lincoln voting against it. The House adopts the Senate resolution favoring one term for the President of the United States. The Whigs vote against this move, which is aimed at William Henry Harrison. <i>Ibid</i> .

SUN. FEB. 14	
MON. FEB. 15	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln reports from the Committee on Finance, with amendments, an act supplemental to the charter of the Springfield and Alton Turnpike Company. On his motion the bill is tabled. An act for the relief of the poor and honest debtor, is refused a second reading, Lincoln voting nay. <i>House Journal</i> .
TUE. FEB. 16	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. The Senate bill for an act regulating the sale of property, is referred to a select committee of which Lincoln is named a member. The House resolves itself into a committee of the whole on the apportionment bill. After various proposed amendments and parliamentary moves, the bill is ordered engrossed, Lincoln voting nay. <i>Ibid</i> .
WED. FEB. 17	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. On Lincoln's motion the act supplemental to the charter of the Springfield and Alton Turnpike Company is taken from the table and placed in the orders of the day. He moves to amend the charter of the city of Springfield to allow all who are entitled to vote for State officers to hold office. <i>Ibid</i> .
THU. FEB. 18	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln votes to reduce the Attorney General's salary from \$1500. to \$1000. but opposes a similar move in respect to members of the Supreme Court. I. N. Morris is elected President of the Board of Canal Commissioners. Lincoln votes for W. F. Thornton. He votes for Jacob Fry, who is elected acting commissioner of the Board of Canal Commissioners. <i>Ibid</i> .
FRI. FEB. 19	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln votes in favor of Hardin of Morgan's amendment to the bill concerning the southern boundary of Cass County. He opposes the move to extend the boundaries of Menard County. <i>Ibid</i> .
SAT. FEB. 20	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. The act apportioning representation of the several counties in the State passes the House 46-37, Lincoln voting aye. He is put on a committee to report upon the best means of providing for the payment of interest on the State debt, the disposition of the system of internal improvements, and for the continuance of operations on the Canal. <i>Ibid</i> .

SUN. FEB. 21	
MON. FEB. 22	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. On the question of printing 500 copies of a report and memorial on the State Bank of Illinois, Lincoln votes nay. He votes with the majority to construct a railroad from LaSalle to Dixon and to charter a company with authority to construct the road, to be known as the Illinois and Rock River Railroad Company. <i>House Journal.</i>
TUE. FEB. 23	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. Lincoln invariably opposes all moves against the State Bank of Illinois. A motion by Trumbull of St. Clair to repeal the bank's charter fails, 31-42. A bill providing for a loan for canal purposes is refused a second reading by a vote of 34-36, Lincoln voting aye. <i>Ibid.</i>
WED. FEB. 24	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. The morning is devoted to consideration of an act in relation to the State Bank of Illinois. Lincoln defends the bank. In the evening session of the House he introduces an amendment to the bill for payment of interest on the public debt which is adopted. The attempt to stop the Internal Improvement system is opposed by Lincoln and other Whigs. <i>Ibid.</i>
THU. FEB. 25	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. On motion of Lincoln an act supplemental to the charter of the Springfield and Alton Turnpike Company is taken up and ordered engrossed. He takes an active part in the discussion of the State Bank bill. It is finally passed with 43 ayes and 38 nays, Lincoln voting nay. <i>Ibid.</i>
FRI. FEB. 26	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. A petition of John Stuart presented by Lincoln is referred to a select committee composed of Lincoln, Woodson of Greene and Threlkeld of Coles. When Wickliffe Kitchell of Montgomery opposes Lincoln's amendment to the Canal bill, he tells the story of the old man who kept firing at a squirrel in a tree that turned out to be a louse on his eyebrow. <i>Ibid.</i>
SAT. FEB. 27	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE LEGISLATURE. The bill for the early completion of the Illinois and Michigan Canal passes 37-33, Lincoln voting aye. The speaker appoints a standing committee on unfinished business composed of Lincoln, Leary of Cook and Woodson of Greene. Lincoln votes to memorialize Congress to continue the Cumberland Road to the Mississippi. <i>Ibid.</i>

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SPRINGFIELD. [The Legislature adjourns without a roll call. The Supreme Court closes its winter term. The term has been unusually long because the court did not sit from February 11 to 22, because of the reorganization bill.]

TUE.
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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln acting as attorney for Jesse K. Dubois of Lawrenceville deeds to Virgil Hickox lot No. 13 in block 15 in Elijah Iles addition to Springfield. The consideration is \$100. *Deed Record, Book R.*

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SPRINGFIELD? John T. Stuart writes to Daniel Webster, Secretary of State, recommending Lincoln to be Chargé d' Affaires at Bogota, an appointment pleasing to Illinois Whigs. "Stuart was evidently trying to secure a change of climate for his law partner, Lincoln, who, after the fiasco of his broken-off marriage to Mary Todd was in a mood of profound depression." *Fuess: Daniel Webster*, II, 94.

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SUN. MAR. 7	[Conkling in a letter of today to Mercy Levering says: "And L. (Lincoln) poor, hapless, simple swain who loved most true but was not loved again—I suppose he will now endeavor to drown his cares among the intricacies and perplexities of the law. No more will the merry peal of laughter ascend <i>high in the air</i> , to greet his listening and delighted ears." <i>Sandburg and Angle</i> , 180.]
MON. MAR. 8	
TUE. MAR. 9	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes and files the bill in the chancery case of William B. Crane <i>v.</i> Samuel Grubb in the Sangamon Circuit Court. <i>Original in Henry E. Huntington Library.</i>
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TUE. MAR. 23	SPRINGFIELD. The Sangamon County Circuit Court opens for a two week term. In Throckmorton and Everett <i>v.</i> Francis <i>et al.</i> , Stuart and Lincoln obtain \$674. debt and damages for the plaintiff. Lincoln dismisses at the plaintiffs cost, the case of Bell & Co. <i>v.</i> Mitchell. Webb <i>v.</i> Parrin is dismissed at the defendants cost. Logan and Lincoln for the plaintiff appear for the first time together. <i>Record.</i>
WED. MAR. 24	SPRINGFIELD. In People <i>v.</i> Johnson and Johnson, a damage suit for obstructing a water course, the jury bring in a verdict of not guilty. Logan and Lincoln appear for the defendant. Lincoln appears for the appellee in Parsons <i>v.</i> Duncan. The case is tried by the court and judgment of the lower court affirmed for \$3.64. <i>Ibid.</i>
THU. MAR. 25	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln, alone, represents the plaintiff in two assumpsit suits. In Brown <i>v.</i> Thomas and Crowder and Neff, Wanton & Co. <i>v.</i> Francis the defendants default and damages of \$335.95 and \$397.44 are awarded. Allen <i>v.</i> Lindsay <i>et al.</i> , is dismissed by agreement. Lincoln is for the plaintiff. <i>Ibid.</i>
FRI. MAR. 26	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln has ten cases in the circuit court. Fellows <i>v.</i> Allen, Stafford <i>v.</i> Whitney <i>et al.</i> , and Rowland, Smith & Co. <i>v.</i> Francis <i>et al.</i> , he wins by default. Logan and Lincoln get three judgments by default. Maxwell <i>v.</i> Allen & Stone and Neff, Wanton & Co. <i>v.</i> Allen & Stone are dismissed at the defendants cost. Logan and Lincoln are for the plaintiffs. <i>Ibid.</i>
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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln has seven cases in the circuit court. In *May v. Van Bergen* he obtains leave to amend his declaration. Three jury trials are won by Logan and Lincoln in *Hay v. Hickox*, *Hill v. Rague*, and *Ransdell v. Mills*. In *Woods, Stacker & Co. v. Taylor* tried by the court they get a judgment for \$272.01 and costs. In two chancery cases, Lincoln gets an order to partition land in one case, and a day of sale appointed in the other. *Record*.

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SPRINGFIELD. *Capps v. Moore*, *Spear v. Newton* and *Whaley v. Heirs of McElyen* are continued to the next term. On Lincoln's motion *Diamond v. Wiles Heirs* is stricken from the docket. In *Fowler v. Kirkpatrick* the defendants motion to dissolve the injunction is sustained. Stuart and Lincoln are for the plaintiff. *Ibid*.

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SPRINGFIELD. *Edmonds v. Simpson et al.*, a trespass case, in which Lincoln represents the plaintiff, is continued. Logan and Lincoln get a judgment by default in *Chamberlin v. Allen & Stone*. The defendant in *Hornsby v. Radford* is ordered to deliver possession of certain real estate in Springfield to Lincoln's client by April 18, or an attachment for contempt of court will be issued. *Ibid*.

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SPRINGFIELD. On the last day of the term Lincoln appears with Scammon and Logan for the plaintiff in *Funk et al. v. Taylor*, impleaded with Breese and Vance, an action in debt. The court awards the plaintiff \$800. in *Crane v. Grubb*, a chancery case, Lincoln represents the complainant and Shields the defendant. Crane is awarded a lien on land involved. He gets judgment for \$584.38 for complainant in *Wright v. Hewett & Baker*. *Ibid*.

SUN. APR. 4	[President William H. Harrison died in Washington today.]
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SUN. APR. 11	
MON. APR. 12	
TUE. APR. 13	
WED. APR. 14	[Herndon, in his <i>Life of Lincoln</i> , page 209, says that the partnership of Stuart & Lincoln, formed in April, 1837, was dissolved today by mutual consent. The partnership with Stephen T. Logan is said to have begun today.] (5)
THU. APR. 15	[The Tazewell County Circuit Court opens at Tremont, and remains in session until April 23.]
FRI. APR. 16	TREMONT. The case of Kellogg <i>v.</i> Crain, an action in debt, reinstated on September 30, 1840, comes up for trial. A jury is called and then dismissed and the case is tried by the court. The court awards the plaintiff, Lincoln's client, \$16,000 debt and \$58.02 damages. This is the largest judgment obtained by Lincoln up to this time. <i>Record.</i>
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[The McLean County Circuit Court opens its spring term. The term closes on May 1.]

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SUN. MAY 2	
MON. MAY 3	[The Livingston County Circuit Court opens a two day term at Pontiac.]
TUE. MAY 4	
WED. MAY 5	
THU. MAY 6	[The DeWitt County Circuit Court convenes for a three day term at Clinton.]
FRI. MAY 7	
SAT. MAY 8	

<div>SUN. MAY 9</div>	
<div>MON. MAY 10</div>	<div>[The Champaign Circuit Court convenes for a three day term at Urbana.]</div>
<div>TUE. MAY 11</div>	
<div>WED. MAY 12</div>	
<div>THU. MAY 13</div>	
<div>FRI. MAY 14</div>	<div>[The first announcement of the partnership of Logan and Lincoln appears in the <i>Sangamo Journal</i>. The office is located “opposite Hoffmans Row,” in which the firm of Stuart and Lincoln had been located. The <i>Sangamo Journal</i>, May 7, 1841, was the last to carry an advertisement of Stuart and Lincoln.]</div>
<div>SAT. MAY 15</div>	

SUN. MAY 16	
MON. MAY 17	DANVILLE? [The Vermilion Circuit Court convenes. Vermilion County is not included in the Eighth Circuit until 1845, but that Lincoln was in Danville for at least part of the term is proved by this sentence from his letter to W. H. Davidson, June 4, 1841: "Baker and I were with Webb at Vermilion." <i>Tracy</i> , 6-7. On this day also the Macon Circuit Court began a four-day term at Decatur.]
TUE. MAY 18	DANVILLE?
WED. MAY 19	DANVILLE?
THU. MAY 20	DANVILLE?
FRI. MAY 21	DANVILLE?
SAT. MAY 22	DANVILLE?

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DANVILLE AND CHARLESTON? Lincoln probably made the two day journey from Danville to Charleston sometime during this week end to attend the opening of a six day term of the Coles Circuit Court on Monday morning.

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CHARLESTON? [The Shelby County Circuit Court convenes at Shelbyville for a four day term.]

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CHARLESTON?

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CHARLESTON. In *Vest v. Williams*, a trespass suit, a jury is called, when the plaintiff says he will not further prosecute and enters a full release of all right of action. Lincoln appears for the defendant. *Record*.

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CHARLESTON. *Ewing v. Goodman*, a case of trespass, assault and battery is called; the attorneys agree to continue the case and the plaintiff is ruled to give security. Lincoln appears for the defendant. *Ibid*.

SUN. MAY 30	
MON. MAY 31	
TUE. JUNE 1	
WED. JUNE 2	
THU. JUNE 3	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln endorses the application of a deputy surveyor of Sangamon County for a position under the Dr. Silas Reed Surveyor General of Illinois and Missouri. On the bottom of a letter of recommendation from John T. Stuart, he writes: "I most cheerfully endorse the foregoing recommendations of Col. John M. Neale." <i>Photo.</i>
FRI. JUNE 4	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes Col. W. H. Davidson of Carmi that he has written to President Tyler in behalf of Colonel Servant, "saying all for the Colonel that I could say for the best man on earth." [He was recommending Richard B. Servant of Chester, Ill., with whom he had served six years in the Legislature. Servant was appointed Receiver of the Land Office at Kaskaskia in 1843.] <i>Tracy, 6.</i>
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[The United States Circuit Court convenes in Springfield with 200 cases on the calendar. Sometime during this term, Lincoln appears for the plaintiff in *Lincoln v. Tower*, an action of debt brought on a judgment obtained in Massachusetts. Edwards and Hall appear for the defendant. Lincoln wins the case. 2 *McLean*, 473. The Christian County Circuit Court commences a two day term at Taylorville.]

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TAYLORVILLE. On the motion of Lincoln, solicitor for the complainant, *Baker v. Addington et al.*, is continued with leave to the commissioner to execute the decree of the last term. *Record*.

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[The Logan County Circuit Court convenes at Postville.]

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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln takes four notes from Josiah Francis of Athens in settlement of two judgments against Francis in the court of Thomas Moffett, a justice of the peace of Sangamon County. *Angle*, 9.

SUN. JUNE 13	
MON. JUNE 14	PETERSBURG. The Menard Circuit Court opens a two day term. Waggoner <i>et al. v. Estep</i> is continued on the motion of Lincoln, solicitor for the complainant. In Allen <i>v. Patterson</i> , the defendant defaults and judgment for \$328.34 is awarded the plaintiff, the client of Logan and Lincoln. <i>Record</i> .
TUE. JUNE 15	PETERSBURG. In Potter <i>v. Bell</i> the jury fails to agree and is dismissed. Urquhart and Rutledge represent the plaintiff and Lincoln and Bachman the defendant. Hawks <i>v. Bell</i> is tried by the court upon agreement of both parties. The defendant's attorneys, Lincoln and Bachman, move the court to dismiss the suit for want of jurisdiction in the court below. The court takes the case under advisement. <i>Ibid</i> .
WED. JUNE 16	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln returns to find Springfield wildly hunting for the body of Archibald Fisher who had come to town on May 31, with William and Henry Traylor, but had disappeared and it is believed murdered by William, Henry and Archibald Traylor. Hickox's mill dam on Spring Creek was torn down on Monday and a thorough but fruitless search is now being made in the brush along the creek. <i>Works, I, 168</i> .
THU. JUNE 17	SPRINGFIELD. [Mary Todd writes her friend Mercy Levering that Lincoln "deems me unworthy of notice, as I have not met <i>him</i> in the gay world for months. With the usual comfort of misery, imagine that others were as seldom gladdened by his presence as my humble self, yet I would that the case were different, that he would once more resume his station in Society . . ." <i>Sandburg and Angle, Mary Lincoln, 184.</i>]
FRI. JUNE 18	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln, Logan and Baker defend William Traylor of murdering Archibald Fisher. The case is heard in a justice of peace court, and there is much disgust shown by the crowd when it turns out that Fisher is still alive. This climaxes a week of search for Fisher's body in Spring Creek and surrounding territory. One spectator said "it was too <i>damned</i> bad to have so much trouble, and no hanging after all." <i>Works, I, 168-175</i> .
SAT. JUNE 19	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes to Joshua F. Speed concerning the Traylor murder trial. The letter is in reply to Speed's letter of the 13th, and at the close, Lincoln promises to come to Louisville. <i>Ibid</i> .

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[The citizens of Springfield hold a meeting and express to Archibald Trailor their apologies and regrets for believing that he was involved in the murder of Archibald Fisher. *Register, June 25.*]

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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln and Benjamin S. Edwards examine the papers and listen to the oral testimony of Harry Wilton, late United States marshal for the district of Illinois, charged with using his office for political effect, in taking the census of 1840. The statement signed by both men shows that fifty-four of the seventy-six appointments were Democrats, but they draw no conclusions from the evidence presented to them. *Works, I, 175.*

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[The Illinois Supreme Court opens the summer term. The term closes on July 24th.]

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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Lincoln and Urquhart appear for the plaintiff in error in *England v. Clark*, an action of assumpsit from Menard County. Urquhart moves the court that a supersedeas be granted, which is allowed on the following morning. *Record*.

THU.
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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Lincoln for the plaintiff and Logan for the defendant argue the case *Cannon v. Kinney* an appeal from Sangamon County. At a later date the court awards the horse, worth \$65.00, to Lincoln's client. Lincoln, Lamborn and Schuyler Strong examine and approve Josiah McRoberts and John H. Murphy as attorneys at the Illinois bar. *Ibid*.

FRI.
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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. The court orders the errors to be assigned by Monday in *Bailey v. Cromwell*, an appeal from Tazewell County, involving the payment of a note given by Bailey for a slave girl. Lincoln represents Bailey, who argues that there was no proof that the girl was the slave of Cromwell at the time of the attempted sale. In the absence of such proof the presumption that she was free must prevail. *Ibid*.

SAT.
JULY

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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Lincoln appears for the appellee in *Maus v. Worthing* an appeal from Tazewell County. He moves to dismiss the appeal upon the insufficiency of the appeal bond filed in the case and files his reasons. *Ibid*. He draws up a mortgage for John White. The mortgage is to secure the payment of four notes of \$250.00 each due to John Constant. *Photo*.

SUN. JULY 11	
MON. JULY 12	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Lincoln argues his motion to dismiss the appeal in <i>Maus v. Worthing</i> . The court takes time to consider. <i>Record</i> .
TUE. JULY 13	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. The court sustains Lincoln's motion and dismisses the appeal in <i>Maus v. Worthing</i> argued on yesterday. 4 <i>Ill.</i> 26. The court allows the supersedeas in <i>England v. Clark</i> . See <i>July 7</i> . The plaintiff in error is ordered to execute a \$100.00 bond with William G. Greene, Levi Summers and Joseph England as security. <i>Record</i> .
WED. JULY 14	
THU. JULY 15	
FRI. JULY 16	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. The People <i>ex rel.</i> <i>Duncan v. Compton</i> , Sheriff of Coles County and The People <i>ex rel.</i> <i>Duncan v. Thorn</i> , Sheriff of Lawrence County, are called in the Supreme Court. Logan and Lincoln appear for the defendant in the first and Lincoln alone in the second case. On motion of Brown, attorney for the plaintiff, the defendants are ruled to return fee bill and executions for costs within twenty days. <i>Ibid</i> .
SAT. JULY 17	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln orders Sheriff Elkin to stay the collection of the judgment for \$196.22 which he had obtained for the plaintiff in <i>Stafford v. Whitney et al.</i> , on March 26. <i>Sangamon County, Execution Docket D</i> .

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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Holdridge *v.* Bailey an appeal from LaSalle County, is continued by consent of the parties. *Record*. [In *Illinois Reports*, 5: 124-26, Logan alone is listed as attorney for the appellant. This is an error as Lincoln aided in the argument of the case for the appellant.]

TUE.
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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Benjamin F. James is examined by Lincoln and Albert T. Bledsoe for admittance as an attorney and counsellor at law. The license is granted. *Record*.

THU.
JULY
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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. In Maus *v.* Worthing, Logan moves the court for a supersedeas, the cause to stand for argument tomorrow. *See entry for July 13. Ibid.*

FRI.
JULY
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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Logan argues his motion for a supersedeas, made yesterday in Maus *v.* Worthing, an appeal from Tazewell. Lincoln appears for the appellee in this case and in Dow *v.* Averill and Lowell. The latter case is continued for want of return to the summons issued. Bailey *v.* Cromwell is argued by Lincoln for the plaintiff and Logan for the defendant. *Ibid.*

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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. The supersedeas is allowed in Maus *v.* Worthing argued on yesterday. Lincoln enters his appearance for the defendant in error and moves the court for a writ of certiorari. After argument the writ is granted. *Ibid.*

SUN. JULY 25	
MON. JULY 26	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln and Campbell represent the plaintiff in three cases on the opening day of the summer term of the Sangamon County Circuit Court. All three cases, Hart <i>v.</i> McIlvain, Hart <i>v.</i> Penny and Hart <i>v.</i> Harrison are dismissed at the plaintiffs costs. <i>Record.</i>
TUE. JULY 27	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln have four cases, in all of which they represent the plaintiff. On their motion Allen <i>v.</i> Camp and Chamberlin <i>v.</i> Vaughn are continued. The other cases Van Bergen <i>v.</i> Ball & Long, and Peter <i>v.</i> Brinsley <i>et al.</i> , they win by default. <i>Ibid.</i>
WED. JULY 28	SPRINGFIELD. In the circuit court the appeal case of Allen & Co. <i>v.</i> Hunter & Jordan, judgment of the lower court is affirmed. Logan and Lincoln represent the appellant. They win the cases of Hurt <i>v.</i> Carmon, Ruckle Co., and Hay <i>v.</i> Bryan when the defendants default. Lincoln alone represents the plaintiff in Edmonds <i>v.</i> Simpson <i>et al.</i> , a trespass suit. The jury finds for the defendants. <i>Ibid.</i>
THU. JULY 29	SPRINGFIELD. In the circuit court Logan and Lincoln representing the plaintiffs win five suits by default, obtaining a total of \$965.45 in debt and damages. Lincoln is invited to address the Springfield Mechanics Union in the evening though no record of his address can be found. <i>Record; Minutes of Springfield Mechanics Union, July 8.</i>
FRI. JULY 30	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln have four cases in the circuit court, in each of which they represent the plaintiff. Lewis <i>v.</i> Elkin <i>et al.</i> , is continued by agreement; Porter & Dunham <i>v.</i> Bradley & Bernholts is dismissed by the plaintiff. In Warne <i>v.</i> Thayer <i>et al.</i> , a bill of discovery is filed by defendants and cause continued. A jury awards the plaintiff \$153.27 in Briggs <i>v.</i> Uhler. <i>Record.</i>
SAT. JULY 31	[The Sangamon Circuit Court does not meet today or Monday.]

SUN. AUG. 1	
MON. AUG. 2	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln is the thirteenth voter at poll number one in Springfield precinct. He votes for Stuart for Congress, Samuel Wykoff for County Commissioner, Isaac S. Britton for School Commissioner and against the formation of a new county of Allen out of Macoupin, Morgan and Sangamon. <i>Election Returns.</i>
TUE. AUG. 3	SPRINGFIELD. In the Sangamon Circuit Court May <i>v.</i> Van Bergen is dismissed, each party paying half the costs. Logan <i>v.</i> Whitney is dismissed by agreement at the defendants cost. The jury awards the plaintiff \$222.50 and damages in Hay <i>v.</i> Bryan in which the defendant defaulted on July 28. Logan and Lincoln represent the plaintiff in all three suits. <i>Record.</i>
WED. AUG. 4	SPRINGFIELD. The circuit court devotes most of the day to the case of Francis & Sandford <i>v.</i> January & Dunlap. A jury is called and the case tried by Strong for the plaintiff and Logan and Lincoln for the defendant. The jury retires and the next morning brings in a verdict of \$2556.72 for the plaintiff. <i>Photo; Record.</i>
THU. AUG. 5	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln has eighteen cases, alone and with Logan in the circuit court. Nine cases are continued and six are dismissed. In McComas <i>v.</i> Baker, Lincoln confesses the indebtedness of his friend Edward D. Baker for \$158.65. Short and Short <i>v.</i> Blankenship and Miller is won when the defendant defaults. The defendant withdraws his demurrer in Wilkinson <i>v.</i> Taylor an assumption suit in which Logan & Lincoln appear for the plaintiff. <i>Record.</i>
FRI. AUG. 6	SPRINGFIELD. In the Sangamon Circuit Court the continuance of Burns <i>v.</i> Ford <i>et al.</i> , is set aside, and the report of the commissioner, appointed at a previous term, is approved. Lincoln is for the complainant and Shields for the defendants. On Lincoln's motion the defendants in Waggoner <i>v.</i> Porter <i>et al.</i> , are ruled to file their answer in thirty days and the cause continued. <i>Ibid.</i>
SAT. AUG. 7	SPRINGFIELD. The argument for a new trial of Francis & Sandford <i>v.</i> January & Dunlap, decided on August 4th, is heard in the circuit court. The court orders Philip S. Kreigh who owes Nicholas Bryan \$40.47 to pay this to Nathaniel Hay and to credit Bryan with this amount on the \$222.50 judgment awarded in Hay <i>v.</i> Bryan on August 3. <i>Ibid.</i>

SUN. AUG. 8	
MON. AUG. 9	SPRINGFIELD. This is the last day of the summer term of the circuit court. A new trial is granted in Francis & Sandford <i>v.</i> January & Dunlap. By agreement Wilkinson <i>v.</i> Taylor is tried by the court. The plaintiff, Lincoln's client, is awarded \$297.56. By consent of Stuart and Lincoln for the plaintiff and Douglas and Campbell for the defendant, the case of McNair <i>v.</i> Adams is changed to the Cass County Circuit Court. <i>Record.</i>
TUE. AUG. 10	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln makes affidavit to the circuit clerk that Alexander Fulton and Hannah Fulton, two of the defendants in Barrett <i>v.</i> Adams <i>et al.</i> , reside out of the state. He makes a similar affidavit in regard to Thomas H. Gentry in the divorce suit of Gentry <i>v.</i> Gentry. <i>Photo.</i>
WED. AUG. 11	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln draws up part of the nomination and report of appraisers in Oliver <i>v.</i> Taylor. At the spring term of the Sangamon Circuit Court he got a judgment for the plaintiff for \$108.90. The town lot involved, a block from the public square, is valued at \$25.00 a front foot. <i>Photo.</i>
THU. AUG. 12	EN ROUTE TO LOUISVILLE? [On what date Lincoln started on his trip to visit with Joshua F. Speed at Louisville has not been determined. His business in the summer term of the Sangamon Circuit Court was completed yesterday and it is supposed he set out at once.]
FRI. AUG. 13	EN ROUTE TO LOUISVILLE.
SAT. AUG. 14	EN ROUTE TO LOUISVILLE.

SUN. AUG. 15	EN ROUTE TO LOUISVILLE.
MON. AUG. 16	EN ROUTE TO LOUISVILLE.
TUE. AUG. 17	EN ROUTE TO LOUISVILLE.
WED. AUG. 18	LOUISVILLE. [If Lincoln left Springfield on August 11, he probably arrived in Louisville today.]
THU. AUG. 19	LOUISVILLE.
FRI. AUG. 20	LOUISVILLE.
SAT. AUG. 21	LOUISVILLE.

SUN. AUG. 22	LOUISVILLE.
MON. AUG. 23	LOUISVILLE.
TUE. AUG. 24	LOUISVILLE.
WED. AUG. 25	LOUISVILLE. In a letter to Speed Jan. (3?) 1842, Lincoln says, "After you and I had once been at the residence [of Speed's fiancée], did you not go and take me all the way to Lexington and back, for no other purpose but to get to see her again. . . ." <i>Works, I</i> , 182.
THU. AUG. 26	LOUISVILLE.
FRI. AUG. 27	LOUISVILLE.
SAT. AUG. 28	LOUISVILLE.

SUN. AUG. 29	LOUISVILLE.
MON. AUG. 30	LOUISVILLE.
TUE. AUG. 31	LOUISVILLE.
WED. SEPT. 1	LOUISVILLE.
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LOUISVILLE. [Some time before he leaves Kentucky, Mrs. Lucy G. Speed presents Lincoln with an Oxford Bible. On October 3, 1861, Lincoln sent Mrs. Speed his photograph with the inscription: "For Mrs. Lucy G. Speed, from whose pious hand I accepted the present of an Oxford Bible twenty years ago." *Photo.*]

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LOUISVILLE. EN ROUTE TO ST. LOUIS. Lincoln and Joshua F. Speed leave Louisville at noon on the steamboat *Lebanon* for St. Louis. *Works, I, 177-80.*

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EN ROUTE. "Nothing of interest happened during the passage," wrote Lincoln, "except the vexatious delays occasioned by the sand-bars be thought interesting." He did, however, find interest in a dozen negroes chained together "like so many fish upon a trot-line." On Aug. 24, 1855 he wrote Joshua F. Speed "That sight was a continued torment to me, and I see something like it every time I touch the Ohio . . ." *Ibid; Works, II, 282.*

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EN ROUTE. [The wedding of James C. Conkling to Mercy A. Levering takes place at the home of Lawrason Levering. Miss Levering was a close friend of Mary Todd, and Conkling and Lincoln were friends.]

<p>SUN. SEPT. 12</p>	<p>EN ROUTE.</p>
<p>MON. SEPT. 13</p>	<p>ON STEAMBOAT <i>LEBANON</i> AND IN ST. LOUIS. In his letter to Mary Speed on September 27th Lincoln writes: "reached St. Louis the next Monday at 8 P. M. (<i>St. Louis</i>) <i>Missouri Republican</i>, Sept. 14.</p>
<p>TUE. SEPT. 14</p>	<p>EN ROUTE TO SPRINGFIELD. It was a two day stage journey from St. Louis to Springfield. The fall courts opened at Tremont on Sept. 16. It is assumed that Lincoln was anxious to attend the Tazewell Court where he had a good practice and therefore came to Springfield by stage rather than by boat up the Illinois River.</p>
<p>WED. SEPT. 15</p>	<p>EN ROUTE TO SPRINGFIELD. The stage probably arrived late in the afternoon.</p>
<p>THU. SEPT. 16</p>	<p>SPRINGFIELD. In the letter to Mary Speed Sept. 27, Lincoln says: "When we reached Springfield, I stayed but one day when I started on this tedious circuit where I now am." <i>Works</i>, I, 177-180.</p>
<p>FRI. SEPT. 17</p>	<p>EN ROUTE TO TREMONT. It was a good days journey from Springfield to Tremont. The court opened yesterday for a six day term.</p>
<p>SAT. SEPT. 18</p>	<p>TREMONT. "Do you remember" he writes Mary Speed on Sept. 27th, "my going to the city, while I was in Kentucky, to have a tooth extracted, and making a failure of it? Well, that same old tooth got to paining me so much that about a week since I had it torn out, bringing with it a bit of the jaw-bone . . . my mouth is now so sore that I can neither talk nor eat." <i>Works</i>, I, 177-180.</p>

SUN. SEPT. 19	TREMONT.
MON. SEPT. 20	TREMONT. In Thorp <i>v.</i> Bole and Hinman, the defendant enters a motion to quash the sheriff's return. It is sustained by the court and the cause continued. Thorp <i>v.</i> Bole <i>et al.</i> , is continued. In both cases Logan and Lincoln represent the plaintiff and Jones and James the defendants. <i>Record.</i>
TUE. SEPT. 21	TREMONT.
WED. SEPT. 22	TREMONT. Lincoln draws up and files the plaintiffs demurrer to the defendants pleas in Perkins <i>v.</i> Hall. He signs the name of Jesse B. Thomas to the demurrer as attorney for the defendant. <i>Photo.</i>
THU. SEPT. 23	VERSAILLES. [The Woodford Circuit Court opens a three day session. This was the first court held in the county and was attended by the following lawyers in addition to those mentioned in the entry of September 24: E. D. Baker, David Davis, S. T. Logan, J. J. Harding, J. T. Stuart and A. Gridley.]
FRI. SEPT. 24	VERSAILLES. Sunderland <i>v.</i> Piggott in the Woodford Circuit Court is dismissed for want of jurisdiction in the court below. Lincoln and Jones are for the plaintiff and Thomas for the defendant. <i>Record.</i>
SAT. SEPT. 25	VERSAILLES.

SUN. SEPT. 26	EN ROUTE TO BLOOMINGTON.
MON. SEPT. 27	BLOOMINGTON. Lincoln writes Mary Speed a long letter giving an account of what has happened since he left Louisville on September 7. "Tell your mother that I have not got her 'present' [an "Oxford" Bible] with me, but I intend to read it regularly when I return home. . . . I shall be very happy to receive a line from you . . . address it to Charleston, Coles County, Ill., as I shall be there about the time to receive it." <i>Works, I</i> , 177-180.
TUE. SEPT. 28	[The McLean County Circuit Court which opened yesterday, remains in session all this week.]
WED. SEPT. 29	
THU. SEPT. 30	
FRI. OCT. 1	
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SUN. OCT. 3	
MON. OCT. 4	[The Livingston County Circuit Court convenes for a two day term at Pontiac.]
TUE. OCT. 5	
WED. OCT. 6	
THU. OCT. 7	CLINTON. The DeWitt Court opens a two day term. Lincoln calls up a suit of his own against Spencer Turner, whom he had successfully defended on a murder charge, for a fee of \$200. Turner defaults and Lincoln gets judgment on Turner's note for \$200. and damages. William Turner is to show cause at the next term why he should not be made a party to the foregoing judgment. <i>See entry for May 23, 1840. Record.</i>
FRI. OCT. 8	CLINTON?
SAT. OCT. 9	

SUN. OCT. 10	
MON. OCT. 11	[The Champaign Circuit Court opens a two day term at Urbana.]
TUE. OCT. 12	
WED. OCT. 13	
THU. OCT. 14	
FRI. OCT. 15	[The <i>Sangamo Journal</i> comments on an editorial in the <i>Fulton Telegraph</i> in which Lincoln is proposed as the next Whig candidate for Governor. “The <i>Fulton Telegraph</i> pays just compliment to Mr. Lincoln.” His “talents and services endear him to the Whig party but we do not believe he desires the nomination.” <i>Journal, Oct. 15.</i>]
SAT. OCT. 16	

SUN. OCT. 17	
MON. OCT. 18	[The Macon Circuit Court meets for a one day session at Decatur.]
TUE. OCT. 19	
WED. OCT. 20	SPRINGFIELD. The Whig State Central Committee composed of Lincoln, A. G. Henry, J. F. Speed, E. D. Baker and W. L. May issue a call for a State Convention, to be held in Springfield, Dec. 20, to nominate candidates for Governor and Lieut. Governor. The Convention was called off Dec. 13, because the Whigs all over the State were unanimously for Joseph Duncan. <i>Works, I, 181; Missouri Republican, Dec. 13.</i>
THU. OCT. 21	
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MON. OCT. 25	CHARLESTON. Lincoln purchases of his father and mother a forty-acre tract in Coles County for two hundred dollars. Thomas Lincoln had purchased this tract on December 31, 1840, from his step-son John D. Johnston for fifty dollars. Thomas Lincoln and his wife are to have the use of the land during their lifetime, <i>Angle</i> , 10-11.
TUE. OCT. 26	CHARLESTON. Lincoln binds himself to convey the tract of land, which he purchased on yesterday, to John D. Johnston or his heirs, upon the death of Thomas and Sarah Lincoln. <i>Ibid.</i> [No fall term of the Coles Circuit Court is held. The Shelby Circuit Court opened yesterday for a three day term.]
WED. OCT. 27	
THU. OCT. 28	
FRI. OCT. 29	
SAT. OCT. 30	

SUN. OCT. 31	
MON. NOV. 1	TAYLORVILLE. Lincoln has five cases in the Christian County Circuit Court, which meets in a one day session. Four cases are continued and the other is dismissed by agreement at the cost of the defendant. Lincoln appears for the plaintiff in one case alone, with May in one case and the others with Logan. <i>Record</i> .
TUE. NOV. 2	
WED. NOV. 3	
THU. NOV. 4	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes in the Judgment Docket, "Received \$25. of this judgment being the amount assigned to me by the plaintiff" in Ransdell <i>v.</i> Mills. On March 29, he had obtained a judgment for \$363.27 for the plaintiff. [The Logan County Circuit Court convenes.]
FRI. NOV. 5	
SAT. NOV. 6	

SUN. NOV. 7	
MON. NOV. 8	PETERSBURG. The Menard Circuit Court opens a three day session. Logan and Lincoln represent the plaintiff in Purkapile <i>v.</i> Hornbuckel, a replevin suit concerning a gelding. The case is continued. Lincoln obtains leave to amend the transcript in Trent <i>v.</i> Taylor. In Elmore <i>v.</i> Bale, Lincoln as attorney for the plaintiff asks the court to issue an attachment against Mentor Graham for contempt in failing to attend as witness. <i>Record.</i>
TUE. NOV. 9	PETERSBURG. Trent <i>v.</i> Taylor, a case involving the right of property is tried by a jury. The jury awards the property to the complainant, Lincoln's client. <i>Ibid.</i>
WED. NOV. 10	PETERSBURG. The trespass case, Potter <i>v.</i> Bell is referred to three arbitrators whose award the parties agree to accept. The arbitrators find that the only cause of dispute was a "brown mare" which Bell had stolen from Potter, but which Potter has since recovered. Potter is awarded one cent damages, Bell to pay the costs. Urquhart and Rutledge represent the plaintiff, Lincoln and Bachman the defendant. Lincoln wins his two other cases. <i>Ibid.</i>
THU. NOV. 11	
FRI. NOV. 12	[The first term of the Mason County Circuit Court opens for a two day term at Havana. Lincoln's name does not appear on the judge's docket or in the record during the years covered by this volume.]
SAT. NOV. 13	

SUN. NOV. 14	
MON. NOV. 15	SPRINGFIELD. The Sangamon Circuit Court begins a three weeks term. Logan and Lincoln appear for the complainant in Susan Wallace <i>v.</i> James Wallace, a divorce case. The cause is referred to the master in chancery for his report. <i>Record.</i>
TUE. NOV. 16	SPRINGFIELD. In Edmonds <i>v.</i> Simpson <i>et al.</i> , the plaintiff is ruled to show cause why security for costs should not be given. Lincoln represents the plaintiff. The defendant enters his motion for an injunction in Norris <i>v.</i> Simpson; in Whitney <i>v.</i> Henry <i>et al.</i> , the defendants, by Lamborn their attorney, enter a motion to dissolve the injunction. Logan & Lincoln represent the plaintiff in both cases. Robbins is associated with them in the last case. <i>Ibid.</i>
WED. NOV. 17	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln have eleven cases in court. Six they win by default, obtaining total damages of \$2386.72 for their clients. Two cases are continued and one dismissed. On Lincoln's motion the defendant in Campbell <i>v.</i> Smith is ruled to plead tomorrow. <i>Ibid.</i> Lincoln draws from the Auditor \$156.90 due to Jesse K. Dubois for making an abstract of lands entered at Palestine, Ill. from Sept. 1, 1836 to Jan. 1, 1841. <i>Auditor's Warrant.</i>
THU. NOV. 18	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln obtain judgment by default in Bennett <i>v.</i> Hart; Campbell <i>v.</i> Smith; Lewis <i>v.</i> Goodan and Trailor & Myers <i>v.</i> Saunders. In Warne <i>v.</i> Thayer <i>et al.</i> , the defendant withdraws his plea and Lincoln's client is awarded \$450.08; Kane <i>v.</i> May & Eastham is continued. Mains <i>v.</i> Braucher is argued before a jury by Lincoln for the plaintiff. <i>Ibid.</i>
FRI. NOV. 19	SPRINGFIELD. Throckmorton & Everett <i>v.</i> Dockum, an ejectment suit, is tried. The court finds the defendant guilty of withholding the possession of the premises and awards an estate in fee simple. Logan and Lincoln also win the case of Mains <i>v.</i> Braucher when the jury awards the plaintiff damages of \$186.00. The master in chancery reports the allegations true in petition of Wallace <i>v.</i> Wallace. Divorce granted. <i>Ibid.</i>
SAT. NOV. 20	SPRINGFIELD. On motion of Lincoln, attorney for the plaintiff, Edmonds <i>v.</i> Simpson is dismissed. <i>Ibid.</i>

SUN. NOV. 21	
MON. NOV. 22	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln get judgments by confession for \$476.26, in Blankenship & Co. <i>v.</i> Rockwell & Co., and \$337.30 in Brookie <i>v.</i> Boardman <i>et al.</i> <i>Record</i> . The Sangamon County Whig Convention meets and the committee of Lincoln, S. Francis and William Porter, draft a resolution endorsing Duncan for Governor and Harlan for Lieutenant-Governor. Lincoln is one of five delegates appointed to the State Convention. <i>Journal</i> , Nov. 26.
TUE. NOV. 23	SPRINGFIELD. Judge Treat overrules Lamborn's motion, made on the 16th and argued yesterday, to dissolve the injunction in Whitney <i>v.</i> Henry <i>et al.</i> <i>Record</i> .
WED. NOV. 24	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln win by default the cases of Logan <i>v.</i> Grubb, and Wilson & Brother <i>v.</i> Grubb. Waldo <i>v.</i> Masters <i>et al.</i> , is continued on the plaintiff's motion. In Bell & Speed <i>v.</i> Nesbitt, the jury awards the plaintiff \$60.00 damages. Logan and Lincoln represent the plaintiffs in all four cases. <i>Ibid</i> .
THU. NOV. 25	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln files his replication to the defendant's plea in Herndon <i>v.</i> Cutter. In Throckmorton & Everett <i>v.</i> Dockum, an ejectment suit, the defendant files his bill of exceptions. It is made part of the record and by consent, appeal to the Supreme Court is granted the defendant, either party to be permitted to file the record at the ensuing term of the Supreme Court. <i>Ibid</i> .
FRI. NOV. 26	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln for the plaintiff and Strong and Doremus for the defendant try the case of Norris <i>v.</i> Simpson before a jury. The jury awards the defendant \$62.00 and costs. The court sustains Lincoln's demurrer to the defendant's pleas in Spear, Administrator <i>v.</i> Newton & Lewis. <i>Ibid</i> .
SAT. NOV. 27	

SUN. NOV. 28	
MON. NOV. 29	SPRINGFIELD. On Lincoln's motion the defendant is ruled to answer tomorrow in the chancery suit of Miller <i>v.</i> Freeman & Freeman. <i>Record.</i>
TUE. NOV. 30	SPRINGFIELD. Spear, Administrator <i>v.</i> Newton & Lewis is tried by the court. The court awards the plaintiff \$75.00 and grants an appeal to the Supreme Court. Three cases are continued. An appeal to the Supreme Court is granted in Mains <i>v.</i> Braucher. Lincoln represents the plaintiff in each case. <i>Ibid.</i>
WED. DEC. 1	SPRINGFIELD. Shields and Conkling represent the plaintiff and Logan and Lincoln the defendants in Kane <i>v.</i> May & Eastham. The court orders that the plaintiff have judgment for damages listed in his declaration. <i>Ibid.</i>
THU. DEC. 2	SPRINGFIELD. Campbell & Dabney <i>v.</i> Spear is continued and Spear <i>v.</i> Newton is stricken from the docket. Logan and Lincoln represent the plaintiffs in the first case, and Stuart, Logan and Lincoln the plaintiff in the latter case. <i>Ibid.</i>
FRI. DEC. 3	SPRINGFIELD. Six cases are won by default by Logan and Lincoln on the last day of the term. Whitney <i>v.</i> Henry <i>et al.</i> , comes up for the fifth time this term. By agreement the injunction is made perpetual and the defendant is to pay the costs. The court awards Matthew Rogers, Lincoln's client, certain lands in payment of notes held of Francis & Sandford in the uncontested case of Rogers <i>v.</i> Francis. <i>Ibid.</i>
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SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln file the declaration in Walker & Hack *v.* McCoy in the United States Circuit Court. *Record.* Lincoln gives a receipt to A. H. Kellar for \$12.50—"for one half of which I am to account to Stuart." *Hertz, II*, 530.

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SPRINGFIELD? N. H. Purple, attorney for the defendant in Walker & Hack *v.* McCoy, an assumpsit suit, files his plea in the United States Circuit Court. Logan and Lincoln are attorneys for the plaintiff. *Record.*

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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln is handed by the clerk of the Sangamon Circuit Court, the execution directed to the sheriff of Macoupin County, in West and Taylor *v.* Sharp and Anderson. Lincoln got a judgment for \$159.70 for the plaintiff on July 29. *Execution Docket, D.*

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MON. DEC. 13	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Urquhart, attorney for the plaintiff in error in England <i>v.</i> Clark moves that the defendant be ruled to join in error on Dec. 20. <i>See entry for July 13. Record.</i>
TUE. DEC. 14	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. In People <i>ex rel.</i> Duncan <i>v.</i> Compton, Sheriff of Coles County, Lincoln moves to discharge the rule made on July 16, that the defendant return certain fee bills and executions for costs. <i>Ibid.</i> In the United States Circuit Court Lincoln files his power of attorney and plea of confession in Montelius & Fuller <i>v.</i> Blankenship. <i>Ibid.</i>
WED. DEC. 15	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Lincoln argues the motion made yesterday in the People <i>ex rel.</i> Duncan <i>v.</i> Compton, Sheriff of Coles County. The court takes time to consider. <i>Ibid.</i>
THU. DEC. 16	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Lincoln wins the case of People <i>ex rel.</i> Duncan <i>v.</i> Compton, Sheriff of Coles County when the court approves his motion of the 14th. <i>Ibid.</i> In the U. S. Circuit Court in Brown <i>et al.</i> <i>v.</i> Little, the plaintiff, Logan and Lincoln's client, gets judgment for \$2196.54. The court awards the plaintiff \$604.00 in Montelius & Fuller <i>v.</i> Blankenship. <i>Ibid.</i>
FRI. DEC. 17	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Lincoln's motion to dismiss Dow <i>v.</i> Averill & Lowell, for non-assignment of error is granted. Lincoln and Emmerson, attorneys for the appellee, move to dismiss the appeal in Benedict <i>v.</i> Dillehunt. In Wilson <i>v.</i> Alexander the record is filed and the case placed on the docket. Lincoln appears for the plaintiff and Jesse B. Thomas for the defendant in error. <i>Ibid.</i>
SAT. DEC. 18	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. The motion to dismiss the appeal in Benedict <i>v.</i> Dillehunt, is argued by Emmerson and resisted by Trumbull and Lamborn. The court takes time to consider. The appellant is ruled to assign errors by Dec. 21, in Averill <i>v.</i> Field, an action of assumpsit from Tazewell County in which Logan & Lincoln appear for the appellant and Baker & Bledsoe for the appellee. <i>Ibid.</i>

SUN. DEC. 19	
MON. DEC. 20	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. The motion for supersedeas in Hall <i>v.</i> Perkins is argued by Bledsoe for the appellant and resisted by Lincoln and J. B. Thomas. In Averill <i>v.</i> Field, Lincoln suggests the diminution of the record, files his affidavit and moves the court for a writ of certiorari. The motion of Lincoln and Emmerson, attorneys for the appellee in Benedict <i>v.</i> Dillehunt, made on Dec. 18, is overruled. <i>Record.</i>
TUE. DEC. 21	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Lincoln argues his motion made yesterday for a writ of certiorari, in Averill <i>v.</i> Field. The court takes time to consider. The supersedeas is allowed in Hall <i>v.</i> Perkins. <i>See entry of Dec. 20. Ibid.</i>
WED. DEC. 22	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Lincoln's motion for a writ of certiorari is allowed in Averill <i>v.</i> Field. <i>Ibid.</i>
THU. DEC. 23	
FRI. DEC. 24	
SAT. DEC. 25	

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MON. DEC. 27	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Holdridge <i>v.</i> Bailey is set for argument on Dec. 29. <i>Record.</i>
TUE. DEC. 28	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Urquhart concludes the argument in England <i>v.</i> Clark and the court takes time to consider. Lincoln and Urquhart appear for the plaintiff and Edwards and Bledsoe for the defendant in error. <i>Ibid.</i>
WED. DEC. 29	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Maus <i>v.</i> Worthing is dismissed by consent of Logan for the appellant and Lincoln for the appellee with costs against the appellant. Leave is given the appellant to assign additional errors in Hall <i>v.</i> Perkins. <i>Ibid.</i>
THU. DEC. 30	
FRI. DEC. 31	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Holdridge <i>v.</i> Bailey is continued by consent. <i>Ibid.</i>
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MON. JAN. 3	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes a parting letter to Joshua F. Speed, who is about to leave for Kentucky. Knowing that Speed is tormented by doubts about his coming marriage, Lincoln gives him encouragement and begs him to forget "reason" and let love have free rein. "Candidly" he writes, "were not those heavenly black eyes the whole basis of all your early reasoning on the subject." <i>Works, I, 182-185.</i>
TUE. JAN. 4	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Ballentine <i>et al. v.</i> Beall, a creditor's bill, in which Lincoln appears for the appellant and E. B. Webb for the appellee, is submitted on written briefs and argument and the court takes time to consider. (In 4 <i>Ill.</i> 203, the attorneys are shown on opposite sides to that of the original court record.) <i>Record.</i>
WED. JAN. 5	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. The appellant in Grubb <i>v.</i> Crane, a bill of review, is ruled to give security for costs by Jan. 8. Shields & Conkling appear for the appellant and Lincoln and Logan for the appellee. They lose the case when the court affirms the judgment of the lower court. <i>Record; 4 Ill.</i> 203.
THU. JAN. 6	
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SAT. JAN. 8	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Jesse B. Thomas appears for the plaintiff in error in Bruce <i>v.</i> Truett. He files the record and moves the court that the writ of error be made a supersedeas. The court takes time to consider. Logan and Lincoln are attorneys for the defendant. <i>Record.</i>

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SPRINGFIELD. At a meeting of the members of the bar, held at the Supreme Court room, Lincoln announces the death of William J. Gatewood. On his motion, Henry Eddy is chosen chairman. James Shields addresses the meeting and offers resolutions of condolence. On motion of Lincoln the meeting adjourns. *Journal, Jan. 14.*

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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. The motion for supersedeas in *Bruce v. Truett* is denied by the court. *See entry of Jan. 8. Record.*

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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. On the motion of Lincoln and Emmerson, attorneys for the appellee in *Benedict v. Dillehunt*, the plaintiff is ruled to file abstracts by tomorrow. *Ibid.*

SAT.
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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Lincoln and Logan for the plaintiff and Strong and Lamborn for the defendant, argue the case of *Abrams v. Camp*. On Jan. 26, the court reverses the judgment of the lower court. *Ibid.*; 4 *Ill.* 290.

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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Benedict *v.* Dillehunt is argued by Lamborn for the appellant and Lincoln for the appellee. The court affirms the judgment of the lower court. In Hawks *v.* Landes, an appeal from McLean, Jesse B. Thomas, attorney for the defendant in error moves the court that the appeal be dismissed, the appellant having failed to file the record. Lincoln appears for the plaintiff in error. *Record.*

TUE.
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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. The court dismisses the appeal in Hawks *v.* Landes and orders that a procedendo issue to the circuit court—the appellee is to recover \$20.95, which is five per cent damages upon the judgment appealed from, as well as costs. *Ibid.*

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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln draws \$71.70, being the balance of Stuart and Lincoln's deposit in the bank, and deposits \$60.41 to the credit of Logan and Lincoln. After explaining what he has done with part of the money he continues: "The remaining \$11.29 . . . I have put in my pocket, holding myself responsible to whomever may hereafter prove to be the owner." *Copy of memorandum by Lincoln from Oliver R. Barrett.*

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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Grubb *v.* Crane, argued on the 17th, Shields for the plaintiff and Logan for the defendant, is taken under advisement by the court. (In an opinion written by Douglas, the decree of the lower court is affirmed on March 3, 1843.) The Supreme Court adjourns. *Record; 5 Ill. 153.*

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TUE. FEB. 1	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln mails to the clerk of the Circuit Court of Menard County the declaration, praecipe, note and bond for costs in the case of Plummer & Wilson <i>v.</i> Hoey & Hoey. The plaintiff is seeking to collect a note for \$138.87 given by the defendants in Baltimore, March 10, 1837. <i>Photo.</i> He files the petition for divorce of Solomon Goodman against Nancy Goodman and asks that a summons be issued to the defendant. <i>Journal, Feb. 4.</i>
WED. FEB. 2	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln files the petition for divorce of Ann McDaniel against Patrick McDaniel and asks that a summons be issued to the defendant returnable to the March term of the Sangamon Circuit Court. <i>Journal, Feb. 4.</i>
THU. FEB. 3	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes Speed that Speed's anxiety and distress about his fiancée's life and health "will forever banish those horrid doubts," of his affection for her. He hopes that her improving health will make Speed forget "the sorrows of the past in the enjoyments of the present. . . . I have been quite clear of 'hypo' since you left, even better than I was along in the fall." <i>Works, I, 185-187.</i>
FRI. FEB. 4	
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TUE. FEB. 8	SPRINGFIELD. Before his fellow members of the Washingtonian Society, Lincoln delivers a short eulogy on the life of Benjamin Ferguson who passed away on February 3rd. He laments that Ferguson was not longer spared to carry on the temperance work of the Society. "In every truth he was, the noblest work of God—an honest man." <i>Angle</i> , 12.
WED. FEB. 9	
THU. FEB. 10	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln give notice to the defendant that a writ of attachment has been sued out in the Sangamon Circuit Court in Beebe <i>v.</i> Dunn. Several lots in Athens, Illinois are described in the attachment. <i>Journal</i> , Feb. 10.
FRI. FEB. 11	
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SUN. FEB. 13	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes to Speed: "When this shall reach you, you will have been Fanny's husband several days. . . . I am now fully convinced that you love her as ardently as you are capable of loving. . . . If you went through the ceremony calmly . . . you are safe beyond question, and in two or three months, to say the most, will be the happiest of men." <i>Works, I, 187.</i>
MON. FEB. 14	
TUE. FEB. 15	NEW SALEM. Bowling Green, one of Lincoln's closest friends during his years at New Salem, died of apoplexy on Sunday evening. The funeral was probably held on this day. Lincoln was there and, at Mrs. Green's request, tried to say something at the grave. The accounts of what he said are conflicting, some stating that his remarks were beautiful, others say he was choked with emotion. <i>Journal, Feb. 18. See entry for Sept. 3, 1842.</i>
WED. FEB. 16	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln instructs G. B. Shelledy, a lawyer of Paris, Illinois, how to prepare the papers in a number of cases he wishes Logan and Lincoln to handle in the federal court. Lincoln agrees to attend to the cases for \$10.00 each when there shall be no opposition. <i>Works, I, 189.</i>
THU. FEB. 17	
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TUE. FEB. 22	SPRINGFIELD. At noon, in the Second Presbyterian Church, Lincoln addresses an immense crowd gathered under the auspices of the Washingtonian Temperance Society. Describing the progress of temperance, he declares the recent progress of temperance is due to the efforts of the reformed drunkard and not to the warfare of denunciation waged by preachers, lawyers and hired agents. <i>Works, I, 193.</i>
WED. FEB. 23	
THU. FEB. 24	
FRI. FEB. 25	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes two letters to Speed, one for Speed's eyes alone, and one to show to his wife. The announcement of his friend's marriage gives Lincoln great happiness. He expresses sorrow over Speed's decision not to return to Illinois to live, but sends greetings to the people he had met on his visit to Kentucky in 1841. To the newly married Speed, he says: "If you make a bad bargain, hug it all the tighter." <i>Works, I, 210-211.</i>
SAT. FEB. 26	SPRINGFIELD.

SUN. FEB. 27	
MON. FEB. 28	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln draws up an indenture between Francis Webster and William Butler transferring land in Springfield. <i>Le-land Sales Catalog</i> . Lincoln withdraws \$50.00 of the \$60.41 deposited on Jan. 24th and lends it to Noah Rickard with Noah Matheny as surety. <i>Copy of Memo. by Lincoln from Oliver R. Barrett</i> . (The Federal Court opens in Springfield. The newspaper terms it the "Bankruptcy Court." <i>Journal</i> , Feb. 25.)
TUE. MAR. 1	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln is admitted to practice in the United States District Court, upon payment of the two dollar fee for a certificate. The bankruptcy law enacted last year by Congress goes into effect today. <i>Letter of Wm. H. Bradley, Clerk of the United States Circuit & District Courts of Northern Illinois, to W. H. Herndon, in Vol. II, pp. 71-72 of Herndon MSS. in Huntington Library; Journal</i> , Oct, 15, 1841.
WED. MAR. 2	[Logan and Lincoln file the complainants' bill and give notice to the defendants in <i>Goldsmith v. Cowardin et al.</i> The defendants are to appear at the June term of the Logan Circuit Court at Postville. <i>Journal</i> , Mar. 4.]
THU. MAR. 3	
FRI. MAR. 4	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln file the petition in bankruptcy, inventory of property and list of creditors of Henry Dishon of Union County in the United States District Court. <i>Record</i> .
SAT. MAR. 5	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln appear before Judge Pope in the United States District Court in the petition of Joseph Crowle of Sangamon County to be declared a bankrupt. This is the first of approximately fifty cases they handle in the "bankrupt court" during the year. <i>Ibid</i> .

SUN. MAR. 6	
MON. MAR. 7	
TUE. MAR. 8	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln file the petition in bankruptcy, inventory, list of creditors and notice to creditors of Edmund G. Johns of Springfield in the United States District Court. <i>Record</i> .
WED. MAR. 9	
THU. MAR. 10	
FRI. MAR. 11	[In a long article on the Washingtonian Temperance Society, the <i>Register</i> concludes “does any rational man believe for a moment that Abraham Lincoln, B. S. Clement and Edward D. Baker have joined the Washingtonian Society from any other than political motives. Would they have joined it if it had been exceedingly unpopular?” <i>Register</i> , Mar. 11.]
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SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln purchase of Ninian W. Edwards "the east half of the west half of lot six, block fourteen, in the town, now city of Springfield." The consideration was \$400.00. *Record. Bulletin No. 16, Abraham Lincoln Association.* Lincoln files a petition for dower and partition in Crow & Crow *v.* Crow *et al.*, in the Sangamon Circuit Court. *Record.*

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SPRINGFIELD. Logan & Lincoln appear in the United States District Court as solicitors for James Gambrell and James T. Dunlap of Sangamon County and Nathan Reed of Coles County in their petition to be declared bankrupts and discharged from their debts. *Ibid.*

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SUN. MAR. 20	
MON. MAR. 21	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln represent Rueben Buck of Macon County in a petition to be declared a bankrupt in the United States District Court. <i>Record</i> .
TUE. MAR. 22	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes Speed on Mar. 27th that Mary Todd went with a party to Jacksonville on Mar. 21, and "on her return spoke, so that I heard of it, of having enjoyed the trip exceedingly. God be praised for that." Because of train schedules on the Northern Cross R. R. the party could not return until today. Thus it is assumed Lincoln is in Springfield today. <i>Works, I</i> , 214. (6)
WED. MAR. 23	
THU. MAR. 24	SPRINGFIELD. In his letter to Speed on March 27, Lincoln says, "yours of the 10th instant was received three or four days since." It is therefore assumed that Lincoln was in Springfield on the 24th and 25th. <i>Works, I</i> , 214.
FRI. MAR. 25	SPRINGFIELD. <i>See Entry of Yesterday</i> . [The <i>Register</i> mentions several recent meetings of the Springfield <i>Junto</i> to decide who <i>may</i> be candidates for the legislature. The <i>Junto</i> has decided on William Butler, Ninian W. Edwards, John Dawson & Lincoln. "Mr. Lincoln, perhaps, will not accept the nomination, though urged by Baker, who thinks Mr. Lincoln's influence in the Legislature would elect Baker, U. S. Senator." <i>Register</i> . Mar. 25.]
SAT. MAR. 26	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln appear in the United States District Court as solicitors for Leonard S. Sears of Boone County and Henry Smith of Macon County who wish to be declared bankrupts. <i>Record</i> .

SUN. MAR. 27	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes Speed: "It cannot be told how it now thrills me with joy to hear you say you are 'far happier than you ever expected to be.' That much I know is enough. I know you too well to suppose your expectations were not, at least, sometimes extravagant, and if the reality exceeds them all, I say, Enough, dear Lord." <i>Works, I, 214.</i>
MON. MAR. 28	SPRINGFIELD. On this opening day of the Sangamon Court, Logan and Lincoln have three cases continued; they obtain judgment for \$704.77 in Maguire <i>v.</i> Coffin, and \$312.09 in James Bell & Co. <i>v.</i> Lockridge. They secure a divorce for Solomon Goodman from Nancy Goodman. They represent Lincoln's old friend John C. Roll in Roll <i>v.</i> Hill, a chancery suit. By agreement Francis & Sandford <i>v.</i> January & Dunlap is set for hearing on Thursday. <i>Record.</i>
TUE. MAR. 29	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln represent the plaintiff in six cases. In one they get a judgment for \$630.84, two are dismissed at the defendants' cost, one is set for Monday. The defendant files his plea in one case, and in Sparks <i>v.</i> Bird & Bird, an ejectment suit, the defendant is ruled to plead within twenty days. <i>Ibid.</i>
WED. MAR. 30	SPRINGFIELD. Blaine, Tompkins & Barrett <i>v.</i> Lewis is dismissed by agreement at the cost of the defendant. Judgment for \$126.48 is awarded the plaintiff in Owen <i>v.</i> Ferrin. On Lincoln's motion, a writ of inquiry is awarded in Goodell & Co. <i>v.</i> Duff & Co. In each case Logan and Lincoln represent the plaintiff. <i>Ibid.</i>
THU. MAR. 31	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln have two cases continued, and in two others, Allen <i>v.</i> Ash & Campbell and Lewis <i>v.</i> Barrows, they get damages for \$324.19 and \$153.22. Benjamin S. Edwards, the defendant's attorney in Traylor & Myers <i>v.</i> Saunders, enters his motion to dismiss the garnishee process issued therein. Logan & Lincoln appear for the plaintiff. <i>See entry for April 4. Ibid.</i>
FRI. APR. 1	SPRINGFIELD. By agreement of Logan and Lincoln for the plaintiff and Baker and Bledsoe for the defendant, McCutcheon <i>v.</i> Allen is dismissed at the defendant's cost. Logan & Lincoln win an important case when Francis & Sandford <i>v.</i> January & Dunlap is dismissed. <i>Ibid.</i>
SAT. APR. 2	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln is given leave to take the deposition of William Porter, one of the defendants in Waggoner <i>v.</i> Porter <i>et al.</i> <i>Ibid.</i> Logan and Lincoln appear for Henry Bishop of Union County in a petition for bankruptcy in the United States District Court. <i>Ibid.</i>

SUN. APR. 3	
MON. APR. 4	SPRINGFIELD. A Whig meeting is held at the <i>Sangamo Journal</i> Reading Room. Delegates are elected to the Sangamon County Whig Convention. After a long series of legal maneuvers in Thurman <i>v.</i> Taylor, a jury is called, the case tried, and the jury retires. The court overrules the motion made on March 31, to dismiss the garnishee in Trailor & Myers <i>v.</i> Saunders. <i>Record.</i>
TUE. APR. 5	SPRINGFIELD. In the circuit court, Logan and Lincoln lose their case when the jury finds for the defendant in Thurman <i>v.</i> Taylor, tried on yesterday. They obtain a divorce for Ann McDaniel from Patrick McDaniel. They appear for Edmund G. Johns in a bankruptcy petition in the United States District Court. <i>Ibid.</i>
WED. APR. 6	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln file the answer of the garnishee in Trailor & Myers <i>v.</i> Saunders. They get judgment for \$573.92 debt, and one cent damages in Goodell & Co. <i>v.</i> Duff & Co. Logan and Lincoln represent Samuel Gunn of Richland County in the “bankruptcy court” of Judge Pope. <i>Ibid.</i>
THU. APR. 7	SPRINGFIELD. The court overrules the motion of John Duff to set aside the judgment entered against him on yesterday in Goodell & Co. <i>v.</i> Duff & Co. The defendant files his plea in Sparks <i>v.</i> Bird & Bird and the cause is continued. <i>See entry for Mar. 29. Ibid.</i>
FRI. APR. 8	SPRINGFIELD. A jury of six awards the plaintiff \$475.00 and costs in Herndon <i>v.</i> Cutter. Schemerhorn & March <i>v.</i> Taylor is dismissed by the plaintiff. The court is asked to dissolve the injunction in Roll <i>v.</i> Hill. The defendant files his plea in North & Bassett <i>v.</i> State Bank. Logan and Lincoln represent the plaintiffs in each case. They appear in four bankrupt cases in the United States District Court. <i>Ibid.</i>
SAT. APR. 9	SPRINGFIELD. The Whigs of Sangamon County hold a convention in the Christian Church to nominate candidates for the legislature and for sheriff. <i>Journal, Apr. 15.</i> Logan and Lincoln get one cent damages in Barrett <i>v.</i> Saunders, a replevin suit. The jury awards the plaintiff, Lincoln’s client, \$164.70 in Jackson <i>v.</i> Stafford. On Lincoln’s motion Jesse B. Thomas is appointed guardian for the infant heirs of G. B. Crow. <i>Ibid.</i>

SUN. APR. 10	
MON. APR. 11	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln have five chancery cases in the circuit court. In one case, Herndon <i>v.</i> Elkin <i>et al.</i> , they get judgment for the complainant A. G. Herndon, father of William H. Herndon. They take a non-suit in North & Bassett <i>v.</i> State Bank. <i>Record.</i>
TUE. APR. 12	SPRINGFIELD. In Campbell & Dabney <i>v.</i> David Spear, the court rules the conveyance from Isaac P. Spear to the defendant void, and the lands conveyed subject to sale. Logan and Lincoln represent the plaintiff in this case and in Miller <i>v.</i> Freeman and Freeman, a chancery case, which is submitted to the court by agreement. This is the last day of the spring term of the circuit court. <i>Record.</i>
WED. APR. 13	[EN ROUTE TO TREMONT.]
THU. APR. 14	TREMONT. The Tazewell County Circuit Court convenes for a seven day term. Two cases, Thorp <i>v.</i> Bole & Hinman and Thorp <i>v.</i> Bole <i>et al.</i> , are called. The action is the same in each case. The defendants motion to dismiss the suits for want of security for costs is sustained, and costs are granted the defendant. Logan and Lincoln appear for the plaintiffs and Jones and James for the defendants. <i>Ibid.</i>
FRI. APR. 15	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln and E. B. Herndon before James F. Owings, clerk of the United States District Court, swear that notices have been sent to the out-of-state creditors of E. G. Johns, to appear at the final hearing on July 9th. <i>Ibid.</i>
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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln, signing the firm name of "Logan & Lincoln," writes to G. W. Hawley, explaining what has been done in the bankruptcy suit in the United States District Court. He explains how the client's \$20.00 has been spent. *Photo.*

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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes to Frederick A. Thomas, a Lawrence County attorney, explaining how he will handle Thomas' case in the United States District Court in Springfield. "The whole cost," he says, "exclusive of lawyer's fees, will be, as we think, about \$20.00 in something at least as good as Shawnee." In a postscript he adds, "Tell J. K. Dubois he must come to the legislature again." *Angle, 13.*

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SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln, representing the plaintiffs in *Fasset et al. v. Blackwell*, file a summons against the defendant in the U. S. Circuit Court. They ask \$5000.00 damages for their clients. *Record.* [The Woodford Circuit Court is in session today and tomorrow.]

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SUN. APR. 24	
MON. APR. 25	[The McLean County Circuit Court opens a four day term in Bloomington. Lincoln in a letter to Joshua F. Speed on July 4, 1842, says he was out on the circuit “five or six weeks,” in the spring. <i>Works, I, 217.</i>]
TUE. APR. 26	BLOOMINGTON?
WED. APR. 27	BLOOMINGTON?
THU. APR. 28	BLOOMINGTON. Lincoln was probably one of the attorneys in the two cases of Wood & Abbott <i>v.</i> Cheney Thomas, Jesse W. Fell <i>et al.</i> , tried on this day before Judge Treat. Lincoln paid the clerk’s fee on September 20, 1843. <i>Fee Book and Record.</i>
FRI. APR. 29	
SAT. APR. 30	

SUN. MAY 1	
MON. MAY 2	[The Circuit Court of Livingston County convenes at Pontiac. The session lasts one day.]
TUE. MAY 3	
WED. MAY 4	
THU. MAY 5	CLINTON. The DeWitt Circuit Court convenes for a two day term. Lincoln is his own lawyer in Lincoln v. Spencer Turner and William Turner. He is attempting to collect a \$200.00 legal fee due him. The case is continued on his motion. <i>Record.</i>
FRI. MAY 6	
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MON. MAY 9	URBANA? PARIS? The Champaign Circuit Court begins a two day session. Lincoln's name is listed on the judges docket as attorney for the complainant in Brownfield <i>et al. v.</i> Heirs of J. Brownfield. The court record shows, however, that Brown appears as the complainants' attorney and moves the court to appoint a guardian <i>ad litem</i> for the infant defendants. <i>Record</i> . Lincoln was probably at Paris where the Edgar Court opens a six day term.
TUE. MAY 10	PARIS. Lincoln files the defendant's demurrer in Hunter <i>v.</i> Nolan in the Edgar Circuit Court. <i>Photo</i> .
WED. MAY 11	PARIS. Lincoln withdraws the demurrer filed yesterday in Hunter <i>v.</i> Nolan, and files a plea in bar, to which the plaintiff demurs. The court sustains the plaintiff's demurrer and the case is argued before a jury. <i>Record</i> .
THU. MAY 12	PARIS.
FRI. MAY 13	PARIS. Hunter <i>v.</i> Nolan is reargued before a jury by Lincoln, McRoberts, French and Pearson. <i>Record</i> . [The Springfield Washingtonian Temperance Society, to which Lincoln belongs, announces that it has 700 members. <i>Journal</i> , May 13.]
SAT. MAY 14	PARIS. The jury returns a verdict against the defendant in Hunter <i>v.</i> Nolan, and assesses the damages at \$512.92¼. The defendant's motion for a new trial is overruled. <i>Record</i> .

SUN. MAY 15	
MON. MAY 16	[The Macon Circuit Court opens for a three day session at Decatur.]
TUE. MAY 17	
WED. MAY 18	
THU. MAY 19	
FRI. MAY 20	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln file notice to the creditors of Benjamin B. Reynolds and Constant Abbott of La Salle County of the preliminary hearing on June 16th in bankruptcy in Judge Pope's "bankrupt court" in Springfield. <i>Ottawa Free Trader</i> , June 17, 1842.
SAT. MAY 21	

SUN. MAY 22	
MON. MAY 23	CHARLESTON? [The Shelby Circuit Court opens at Shelbyville for a five day term, and the Coles County Circuit Court opens a six day term. Lincoln attends the Coles Court, though it is not in the Eighth Circuit.]
TUE. MAY 24	CHARLESTON. Ewing <i>v.</i> Goodman, a case of trespass, assault and battery, is dismissed at the defendant's cost. Lincoln is attorney for the defendant. Patterson <i>v.</i> Winkler is dismissed. Lincoln is connected with this case but lack of judges docket makes it difficult to trace in detail his Coles County practice. <i>Record.</i>
WED. MAY 25	CHARLESTON.
THU. MAY 26	CHARLESTON. In Moore <i>v.</i> White, the plaintiff moves the court to continue the case. The motion is sustained. On motion of Lincoln, the defendant's attorney, the plaintiff is ruled to enter bond for costs within ninety days. <i>Ibid.</i>
FRI. MAY 27	CHARLESTON. Pearson <i>v.</i> Monroe, an assumpsit suit in which Lincoln appears for the defendant, is argued before the court. The court takes it under advisement. <i>See entry for Oct. 25th. Ibid.</i>
SAT. MAY 28	CHARLESTON. Morris <i>v.</i> Jones <i>et al.</i> , a trespass case, in which Lincoln appears for the plaintiff, is tried by the court. The plaintiff is awarded \$290.40. On motion of Linder, attorney for the defendant, Turney <i>v.</i> Craig is continued. <i>Ibid.</i>

SUN. MAY 29	
MON. MAY 30	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln publish notice in Harper <i>et al. v. Varian et al.</i> The defendants are to appear at the July term of the Sangamon Circuit Court. The complainants claim the defendants are indebted to them for \$1500.00. <i>Journal, June 3.</i>
TUE. MAY 31	
WED. JUNE 1	
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SAT. JUNE 4	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln draws up the affidavit of Philip Clark, the defendant in Shoup <i>v. Clark</i> , stating that Charles Trumbull of Madison County is a material witness and that the defendant wishes to take Trumbull's deposition to be read in evidence in said suit. <i>Photo.</i>

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SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln have eight bankruptcy cases in the United States District Court. *Record*.

[Six cases of Logan and Lincoln are continued in the one day session of the Christian Circuit Court. There is no record that either attorney attended this term of the court. *Ibid.*]

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[In the United States Circuit Court, during its June term, Logan and Lincoln represent the plaintiff in *January v. Duncan*, an action on a note for \$4000.00, given by W. B. Archer to Joseph Duncan and assigned by him to the plaintiff. The defendant's demurrer is sustained but the plaintiff is given leave to amend the declaration. 3 *McLean*, 19.]

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[The Logan Circuit Court convenes. Logan and Lincoln represent the complainants in *Goldsmith v. Cowardin et al.*, a chancery case, some time during the three day term.]

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SUN. JUNE 12	
MON. JUNE 13	PETERSBURG. The Menard Circuit Court opens for a three day term. Lincoln, attorney for the appellee, moves to dismiss the appeal in <i>Cleaveland v. Meadows</i> . The defendant files his plea in <i>John Allen v. Samuel Hill</i> . Logan & Lincoln represent the plaintiff and Baker and Thomas the defendant. <i>Record</i> .
TUE. JUNE 14	PETERSBURG. The jury finds the defendant guilty in <i>Allen v. Hill</i> and assesses the plaintiffs damages at \$20.00. The appellee's motion, made yesterday, to dismiss the appeal in <i>Cleaveland v. Meadows</i> , is sustained. Three cases are dismissed and two others continued. The jury finds for the defendant in <i>Barnett v. Cogdale</i> , an appeal case. Bachman is for the plaintiff and Lincoln the defendant. <i>Ibid</i> .
WED. JUNE 15	PETERSBURG. By agreement <i>Miles & McCoy v. Miles</i> is tried by the court. The court orders the appellant, Lincoln's client, to recover \$26.25. The trespass case of <i>Taylor v. Eaton</i> is continued by plaintiff's attorney Harris; Lincoln is for the defendant. Logan & Lincoln lose a replevin suit <i>Purkepile v. Hornbuckel</i> when the jury awards the property to the defendant. Lincoln represents the defendant in <i>Pillsbury v. Bennett et al.</i> which is continued. <i>Ibid</i> .
THU. JUNE 16	SPRINGFIELD AND ROCHESTER. Logan and Lincoln have two bankruptcy cases in the U. S. District Court. <i>Record</i> . Lincoln goes with a reception committee, composed largely of Democrats, to Rochester five miles east of Springfield to meet Ex-President Martin Van Buren. The evening is spent in Rochester at the home of Mr. Doty. Lincoln's humorous stories amuse the former president. <i>Register, Jan. 24</i> .
FRI. JUNE 17	ROCHESTER AND SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln accompanies Van Buren to Springfield in the morning. The Sangamon Guards, commanded by E. D. Baker, meet the party one mile east of town. The Springfield Artillery fires a salute of 13 guns and Mayor Campbell gives an address of welcome at the State House. Van Buren replies and then attends a reception in the State House. A party in his honor is given in the evening at the American House. <i>Ibid</i> .
SAT. JUNE 18	SPRINGFIELD. Van Buren's party makes a tour of inspection of all the rooms in the State House. <i>Ibid</i> . In the federal district court Logan and Lincoln appear for John C. Snider. He is declared a bankrupt by Judge Pope and Oct. 1, is set for final hearing. <i>Record</i> .

SUN. JUNE 19	[Van Buren attends the Methodist Church in the morning and the First Presbyterian Church in the evening.]
MON. JUNE 20	
TUE. JUNE 21	
WED. JUNE 22	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln file notice to the creditors of John C. Snider of McDonough County to appear at the final hearing in bankruptcy Oct. 1, in the United States District Court. <i>Record.</i>
THU. JUNE 23	
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SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln file the petition for partition of land in Merryman *v.* Merryman *et al.*, in the Sangamon Circuit Court. *Record*.

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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln signs and is probably the author of a circular addressed to Henry Enoch Dummer and others in the Cass and Scott senatorial district, urging them to run a Whig for the State Senate. Some trouble has arisen under the new apportionment bill and they do not wish to fail in getting a Whig into office if it is at all possible. *Angle*, 14-15.

SUN. JULY 3	
MON. JULY 4	SPRINGFIELD. Writing to Speed today, Lincoln thanks him for his advice about his love affair with Mary Todd, that has been troubling him since January 1, 1841. "I believe" he writes "God made me one of the instruments of bringing your Fanny and you together, which union I have no doubt he had foreordained. Whatever he designs he will do for me yet." <i>Works, I, 217-219.</i>
TUE. JULY 5	SPRINGFIELD. Robert and Jane E. Allen convey to Lincoln 200 acres in Christian County, on which the town of Edinburg now stands, in trust to secure payment on a note of \$900.00 made in Springfield January 1, 1842, by Robert Allen to James Bell & Co. The note bearing 12% interest, belongs to and is held for the use and benefit of Joshua F. Speed. <i>Christian County Deed Book, I, 336.</i>
WED. JULY 6	
THU. JULY 7	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. In <i>People ex rel. Duncan v. Thorn</i> , Sheriff of Lawrence County, Lincoln files an answer to the rule, made July 16, 1841, to return the fee bills and executions for cost mentioned in the affidavit of the plaintiff, and the cause is submitted. <i>Record.</i>
FRI. JULY 8	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. In <i>People ex rel. Duncan v. Thorn</i> , Sheriff of Lawrence County, the court orders an attachment for one fee bill. John Milligan, administrator of William Coine, is to be discharged on payment of costs. <i>Ibid.</i> Logan and Lincoln file petitions in bankruptcy of Henry A. Crow and Charles F. Wilmans, of Carmi, in the United States District Court. <i>Ibid.</i>
SAT. JULY 9	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln appears before James F. Owings, clerk of the U. S. District Court and swears that notice of the final hearing in bankruptcy of Edmund G. Johns, has been given more than forty days before the final hearing. <i>Ibid.</i>

SUN. JULY 10	
MON. JULY 11	
TUE. JULY 12	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. B. S. Edwards appears for the plaintiff and Lincoln for the defendant in <i>Mason v. Park</i> , an appeal from Richland County. The plaintiff is ruled to file abstracts by tomorrow and the case submitted without argument. <i>Record</i> . Logan and Lincoln give notice they will take the deposition of William Porter on July 22, in the office of Justice of Peace, Thomas Moffett. <i>Heise Catalog</i> , No. 2464.
WED. JULY 13	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. <i>Grable v. Margrave</i> is argued before the court by Shields and Conkling for the plaintiff and Lincoln for the defendant. Lincoln appears for the appellant in <i>Cushman v. Dement</i> . No counsel appearing for the appellee, the case is continued. <i>Mason v. Park</i> is argued by Edwards for the plaintiff and Lincoln for the defendant. <i>Record</i> .
THU. JULY 14	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes to Samuel D. Marshall of Shawneetown, announcing that the Supreme Court has just affirmed the judgment of the lower court in <i>Grable v. Margrave</i> . He will take for his fee, five dollars in good money and a two years subscription to Marshall's paper the <i>Illinois Republican</i> . Logan & Lincoln appear for James McBride in a bankruptcy petition in the U. S. District Court. <i>Ibid</i> ; <i>Tracy</i> , 7-8. <i>Record</i> .
FRI. JULY 15	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes and files the praecipe in <i>Hay v. Bryan et al.</i> , in the Sangamon Circuit Court. It is a trespass case in which the plaintiff asks for \$600.00 damages. <i>Original in Collection of Oliver R. Barrett</i> .
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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln draws up the affidavit of Nathaniel Hay. Hay is suing Bryan to collect on a promissory note for \$161.00, but cannot find the original note. *Photo*. Lincoln attends a Whig meeting at the State House in the evening for the purpose of organizing a Clay Club. Speeches are made by Lincoln, Logan, Baker and A. Williams. N. W. Edwards, president of the meeting, appoints Lincoln on the executive committee. *Journal*, July 22.

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SPRINGFIELD. It is assumed that Lincoln is present at the taking of the deposition of William Porter in the office of Thomas Moffett. *See entry of July 12*. Logan and Lincoln are solicitors for the defendant in *Wagoner v. Jackson et al.*, where the deposition is to be used as evidence. *Record*.

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SUN. JULY 24	
MON. JULY 25	SPRINGFIELD. The Sangamon Circuit Court opens a six day term. Logan and Lincoln have one case dismissed and two continued. The court grants Lincoln's petition for the partition of lands in Merryman <i>v.</i> Merryman <i>et al.</i> On April 2, 1842, Lincoln got a judgment for \$1221.87 against John Lockridge. Today in Foster <i>v.</i> Bridges, the defendant is made a party to the judgment against Lockridge. <i>Record.</i>
TUE. JULY 26	SPRINGFIELD. Trustees of Illinois College <i>v.</i> King is continued. The plaintiffs motion to dismiss the writ of certiorari in Shoup <i>v.</i> Clark is overruled. Logan and Lincoln represent the defendant in these two cases and the plaintiff in Simpson <i>v.</i> McNeil in which they obtain a judgment by default for \$392.02. Lincoln files the plea in Richardson <i>v.</i> Rickard. Two other cases are continued. <i>Ibid.</i>
WED. JULY 27	SPRINGFIELD. Richardson <i>v.</i> Rickard is tried by a jury. They find the property belongs to the defendant, Lincoln's client. The commissioners appointed on July 25, in Merryman <i>v.</i> Merryman <i>et al.</i> , report the land cannot be equitably divided. The court orders it sold. Logan and Lincoln win an attachment suit, Greely, Keith & Ray <i>v.</i> King. Two cases are continued. <i>Ibid.</i>
THU. JULY 28	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln have ten cases in court. Five are continued, and in one they get a judgment for \$171.28. <i>Ibid.</i>
FRI. JULY 29	SPRINGFIELD. Dormandy <i>v.</i> Bradford, a slander suit wherein the defendant is accused of calling the plaintiff a "damned rogue," is tried. Logan and Lincoln fail to convince Judge Treat that there has been any slander. They win Yates <i>v.</i> Payne when they get judgment for \$442.40. They agree that Waggoner <i>v.</i> Porter <i>et al.</i> , is to be tried and decided in vacation. One case is continued, three dismissed. <i>Ibid.</i>
SAT. JULY 30	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln win two important cases, Hallowell, Walton & Co. <i>v.</i> Payne and Rankin <i>v.</i> Prickett. In the first they get judgment for \$500.00 and in the latter \$1248.66. Two cases are dismissed. <i>Ibid.</i>

SUN. JULY 31	
MON. AUG. 1	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln votes for Joseph Duncan for governor; S. T. Logan, J. N. Brown, W. Hickman and W. Caldwell for representatives in the legislature; W. F. Elkin for sheriff and Jechoniah Langston for coroner. <i>Election Returns</i> .
TUE. AUG. 2	
WED. AUG. 3	
THU. AUG. 4	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln draws up the affidavit and praecipe and requests the clerk of the Sangamon Circuit Court to issue a summons in Norris <i>v.</i> Bunn. Norris charges that Bunn has accused him of forging a note in New Jersey which Bunn has paid off. Lincoln represents the plaintiff in court on Mar. 21, 1843, and the case is dismissed by agreement. <i>Record; Hertz, II, 531-32.</i>
FRI. AUG. 5	
SAT. AUG. 6	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln file the petition in bankruptcy of William S. Wilmans of Grayville in the United States District Court. Judge Pope sets Oct. 1, 1842 for the preliminary hearing. <i>Record.</i> Lincoln files the declaration and enters himself security for costs in Justice & Justice <i>v.</i> Garth, a trespass case in Tazewell County. <i>Photo.</i>

<div>SUN. AUG. 7</div>	
<div>MON. AUG. 8</div>	
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<div>WED. AUG. 10</div>	
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<div>FRI. AUG. 12</div>	
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SUN. AUG. 14	
MON. AUG. 15	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes "Friend Walker" enclosing a court order "allowing your assignee to sell your property on a credit . . . take their <i>bonds</i> and security . . . and in the final settlement . . . set off their dividends against those bonds" <i>Works, I</i> , 219. Lincoln for complainant and S. Strong for defendants sign an agreement allowing complainant's withdrawal of notes and mortgages sued on in <i>Ware v. Hobbs & Jones. Photo.</i>
TUE. AUG. 16	
WED. AUG. 17	
THU. AUG. 18	
FRI. AUG. 19	
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SUN. AUG. 21	
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TUE. AUG. 23	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln, John Williams, Robert Irwin and Benjamin Talbott sign William F. Elkin's bond for \$10,000.00 as sheriff of Sangamon County. <i>See entry for Aug. 1. Record.</i>
WED. AUG. 24	
THU. AUG. 25	
FRI. AUG. 26	
SAT. AUG. 27	

SUN. AUG. 28	
MON. AUG. 29	SPRINGFIELD. Henry Clay is invited to visit Springfield in a letter from the Executive Committee of the "Clay Club," of which Lincoln is a member. Clay's answer, September 6, 1842, declines with thanks. <i>Works, I</i> , 231.
TUE. AUG. 30	
WED. AUG. 31	
THU. SEPT. 1	
FRI. SEPT. 2	
SAT. SEPT. 3	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln and Rev. Francis A. McNeill are the speakers at a memorial service for Bowling Green, conducted by the Springfield Masonic Lodge No. 4. At the meeting on July 18, a committee of five—John Bennett, Martin S. Morris, John Uhler, Edward Jones and John Zwisler—were appointed to make arrangements "for the day of procession." <i>See entry for Feb. 15. Herndon MSS. II</i> , p. 154.

SUN. SEPT. 4	
MON. SEPT. 5	
TUE. SEPT. 6	
WED. SEPT. 7	
THU. SEPT. 8	SPRINGFIELD. The third of a series of four letters signed Rebecca, written in backwoods dialect, and poking fun at James Shields and Democrat policies is dated today, but appears in the <i>Sangamo Journal</i> of Sept. 9. The third letter is the only one of which Lincoln admits he is the author. <i>See entries for Sept. 17-22.</i>
FRI. SEPT. 9	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes out a list of all candidates for the Legislature from the time he first ran, to his last candidacy, with the votes cast at each election. This statement Lincoln has certified by Noah Matheny, clerk of the County Commissioner's Court. <i>Barrett MSS.</i>
SAT. SEPT. 10	SPRINGFIELD. Logan & Lincoln, the complainant's solicitors in <i>Pickrell & Cantrall v. Smith et al.</i> , file notice and ask the clerk to issue a summons to the November term of the Sangamon Circuit Court. Several of the defendants live out of the state. <i>Journal, Sept. 16.</i>

SUN. SEPT. 11	
MON. SEPT. 12	
TUE. SEPT. 13	
WED. SEPT. 14	
THU. SEPT. 15	TREMONT. The Tazewell County Circuit Court convenes for the fall term lasting seven days. The docket does not show that Lincoln had any cases on the first day of the term.
FRI. SEPT. 16	TREMONT. Logan and Lincoln win by default <i>Bell & Co. v. Hall</i> , in which they obtain a judgment for \$149.65. The defendant in <i>Justice & Justice v. Garth</i> , moves for a continuance. The court overrules the motion and leave is granted the plaintiff to amend the title of the suit in the praecipe and writ. <i>Record</i> .
SAT. SEPT. 17	TREMONT. Logan and Lincoln get a judgment for \$277.35 in <i>Justice & Justice v. Garth</i> . <i>Record</i> . Lincoln receives a note from James Shields who has come to Tremont to get satisfaction from the "Rebecca" letters. Lincoln replies that Shield's note is too general. Shields's second note asks if Lincoln is the author of the article in the <i>Journal</i> of September 2, headed "The Lost Townships" and signed "Becca." <i>Works, I</i> , 232-34.

SUN. SEPT. 18	TREMONT. Lincoln remains over Sunday.
MON. SEPT. 19	TREMONT AND SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln refuses to accept Shields's reply to his note until Shields withdraws his first note. General Whiteside, Shields's second, and Dr. E. H. Merryman, Lincoln's second, fail to arrive at an amicable settlement and a duel is proposed. Lincoln, Whiteside and Merryman return to Springfield. <i>Journal</i> , Oct. 14.
TUE. SEPT. 20	SPRINGFIELD AND JACKSONVILLE. Lincoln draws up instructions for Merryman in case his opponent should wish to have the matter settled. In case no settlement is made, he selects cavalry broadswords of the largest size, as the weapons, and outlines the other preliminaries of the duel. Fearing arrest, Lincoln leaves for Jacksonville early in the morning to await his second and friends. <i>Works</i> , I, 236-38.
WED. SEPT. 21	JACKSONVILLE AND EN ROUTE TO ALTON. Merryman, Butler and Bledsoe join Lincoln around midnight Tuesday. Broad-swords are procured this morning and the party sets out for Alton. <i>Journal</i> , Oct. 14.
THU. SEPT. 22	ALTON. Arriving in Alton at eleven o'clock in the morning, Lincoln and his friends cross the Mississippi to the duelling ground. Shields and his party soon follow. Without Shields's knowledge, "his friends withdraw his first note to Lincoln, whose friends then read Lincoln's apology, and the duel is called off." <i>Ibid</i> ; <i>Beveridge</i> , I, 352; <i>Missouri Republican</i> , Oct. 3.
FRI. SEPT. 23	[EN ROUTE TO SPRINGFIELD. The Woodford Circuit Court is in session today and tomorrow.]
SAT. SEPT. 24	

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[The McLean Circuit Court convenes at Bloomington for a four day term.]

TUE.
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SPRINGFIELD? Lincoln and Logan give notice in *Robert Goss v. Mary Ann Goss*, a divorce petition. Notice is given of affidavit and a summons is issued to the defendant to appear at the November term of the Sangamon Circuit Court. *Journal*, Sept. 30.

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SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln have thirteen bankrupt petitions in the United States District Court. Several of these petitions are not heard until Monday. *Record*.

SUN. OCT. 2	
MON. OCT. 3	SPRINGFIELD. The dueling spirit aroused by the Lincoln-Shields affair brings a challenge from Shields to William Butler. Butler accepts and selects rifles at one hundred yards in Robert Allen's pasture tomorrow morning. To this Whiteside, who is Shield's second, will not agree and it is called off. <i>Works, I, 238-40.</i> [The Livingston Circuit Court convenes today.]
TUE. OCT. 4	SPRINGFIELD. General Whiteside sends a quasi-challenge to Dr. Merryman to meet him at the Planters House in St. Louis on Friday. Merryman appoints Lincoln his second. Lincoln acts as a messenger. The affair resolves itself into a series of quibbles about the notes. High excitement prevails in Springfield, and disorder is anticipated by many. <i>Journal, Oct. 14; Works, I, 238.</i>
WED. OCT. 5	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes Speed the news of the "dueling business" and inquires how Speed feels about his marriage: "That you are happier now than the day you married her I well know." This letter dated Oct. 4 in <i>Works, I, 238</i> , should be dated Oct. 5. In the letter Lincoln writes that on yesterday Whiteside sent a challenge to Dr. Merryman. This challenge was sent on the 4th. of October, thus putting the letter on today.
THU. OCT. 6	[The DeWitt Circuit Court convenes for a two day term.]
FRI. OCT. 7	CLINTON. On his motion, Lincoln is awarded a summons to William Turner in Lincoln <i>v.</i> Turner & Turner and the case is continued. <i>Record.</i>
SAT. OCT. 8	

SUN. OCT. 9	
MON. OCT. 10	URBANA. The Champaign Circuit Court meets today and tomorrow. Lincoln represents the plaintiff in State Bank <i>v.</i> Mitchell <i>et al.</i> The defendant defaults and the court orders the mortgage foreclosed. The defendant is ordered to pay \$1499.00. In default thereof, the property is to be appraised and sold. <i>Record.</i>
TUE. OCT. 11	
WED. OCT. 12	
THU. OCT. 13	
FRI. OCT. 14	
SAT. OCT. 15	

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[The Macon County Circuit Court meets for a one day term at Decatur.]

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[The Rev. T. O. Prescott of Cincinnati, delivers his lecture at the Christian Church on the "Second Coming of the Lord." This may have been the occasion for the story told first by T. Campbell and repeated by Lincoln in 1861 to Congressman Shannon of California that closed with the words, "It is my private opinion that, if the Lord has been in Springfield once, he will never come the second time." *Register, Oct. 21.*]

MON.
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[The Shelby County Circuit Court convenes for a three day term at Shelbyville.]

TUE.
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CHARLESTON. The Coles County Circuit Court convenes at Charleston for a five day term. Pearson *v.* Monroe, a debt case, argued on May 27, and taken under advisement, is dismissed at the defendants cost. *Record.*

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CHARLESTON. Linder and Walker, attorneys for the defendant in Benjamin D. Turney *v.* Archalaus Craig, file their plea. A jury is called and the case argued by Ficklin and Lincoln for the plaintiff. The jury finds the defendant guilty and assesses damages at \$300.00 and costs. *Ibid.*

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TUE.
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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes James S. Irwin that "Logan and myself are willing to attend to any business in the Supreme Court that you may send us. As to fees. . . . We believe we are never accused of being unreasonable in this particular." *Works*, XI, 98-99.

WED.
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SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln, attorneys for the complainant in *Ainslee v. Sattley et al.*, file their bill for conveyance of land from the heirs of Robert Sattley to the complainant. *Record*.

FRI.
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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln and Mary Todd are married in the evening at the home of Ninian W. Edwards. The Reverend Charles Dresser, minister of the Episcopal Church, performs the ceremony. *Beveridge*, I, 355.

SAT.
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SPRINGFIELD. Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln take up their residence at the Globe Tavern, paying four dollars a week for board and room. *Works*, I, 267-9.

SUN. NOV. 6	
MON. NOV. 7	TAYLORVILLE. Logan & Lincoln have nine cases called on this one day term of the Christian Court. Five cases are dismissed, two are continued, and they obtain small judgments in two others. Rountree and Lincoln defend Jesse Langley and others in two indictments for riot. On motion of States Attorney Conkling, <i>capias</i> is awarded to the next term and the sheriff takes bail of defendants for \$100.00 each. <i>Record</i> .
TUE. NOV. 8	
WED. NOV. 9	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln is busy in his office. He signs the bond of John Calhoun in the case of Schemerhorn <i>et al. v.</i> Taylor, and agrees to pay all costs in Weber <i>v.</i> Weber, a suit involving the collection of a note for \$250.00. Logan and Lincoln got judgment for the plaintiff for the amount of the note and \$102.16 damages on Nov. 24, 1841. <i>Photo; Hertz, 534-35.</i>
THU. NOV. 10	[The Logan Circuit Court convenes.]
FRI. NOV. 11	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes to Samuel D. Marshall: "I have looked into the Dorman & Lane case, till I believe I understand the facts of it; and I also believe we can reverse it." (Lincoln is correct as the Supreme Court later reverses the lower court.) Lincoln closes with: "Nothing new here, except my marrying, which to me is a matter of profound wonder." <i>Tracy, 8-9.</i>
SAT. NOV. 12	

SUN. NOV. 13	
MON. NOV. 14	PETERSBURG. The Menard Circuit Court opens a two day term. Lincoln loses the case Taylor <i>v.</i> Eaton when the court awards the plaintiff \$220.40. On his motion, two cases are continued and one dismissed. Strong & Lincoln file their replication to the defendants answer in Dresser <i>v.</i> Miles. Logan and Lincoln file the petition of bankruptcy, inventory and list of creditors of Henry Arnold of Newton, Ill., in the U. S. District Court. <i>Record.</i>
TUE. NOV. 15	PETERSBURG. Bledsoe & Lincoln win the case of Dresser <i>v.</i> Miles when a jury awards the plaintiff \$348.80. Appeal to the Supreme Court is granted. Lincoln confesses judgment against George U. Miles and the court awards the plaintiff \$103.37 in Chouteau <i>et al. v.</i> Miles and McCoy. <i>Ibid.</i>
WED. NOV. 16	
THU. NOV. 17	
FRI. NOV. 18	[The Mason Circuit Court opens for a two day term.]
SAT. NOV. 19	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln file notice to the creditors of Henry Arnold of Newton, Illinois, of the preliminary hearing on Dec. 9th in bankruptcy in Judge Pope's "bankrupt court" in Springfield. <i>Record.</i>

SUN. NOV. 20	
MON. NOV. 21	SPRINGFIELD. The circuit court opens for a eleven day term. Eight cases of Logan & Lincoln are called on the opening day of the term. One case is continued and four are dismissed. Sparks <i>v.</i> Bird & Bird is set for hearing on Thursday. They file the defendants plea in Lazell <i>v.</i> Francis. The defendant files his plea in Herndon <i>v.</i> Cutter. Logan and Lincoln appear for the plaintiff. <i>Record.</i>
TUE. NOV. 22	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln have seventeen cases in court. On their motion, three cases are dismissed and five continued; in six cases they get judgments totaling \$4410.18. Shoup <i>v.</i> Clark is tried by a jury. Langford <i>v.</i> Johnson is referred to three arbitrators. The land described in the complainants bill in Ainslee <i>v.</i> Sattley <i>et al.</i> , is awarded to the plaintiff, Lincoln's client. <i>Ibid.</i>
WED. NOV. 23	SPRINGFIELD. Logan & Lincoln appear for the defendant in Shoup <i>v.</i> Clark in which the jury awards the plaintiff \$15. They obtain a divorce for John Jackson from Maria Jackson; another suit is dismissed on their motion. Judgment for \$260.51 is awarded the plaintiff, their client, in Irwin & Co. <i>v.</i> Penny. Four other cases are called, in three of which they appear for the plaintiff, and Bledsoe & Lincoln in the other. <i>Ibid.</i>
THU. NOV. 24	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln have two cases dismissed and obtain judgment by default in five more. The defendants are ordered to file their answers tomorrow in Van Bergen <i>v.</i> Walters, in which they appear for Van Bergen. In Lazell <i>v.</i> Francis, the attorney for the plaintiff, files his demurrer to the defendants plea. After argument court orders the demurrer overruled. <i>Ibid.</i>
FRI. NOV. 25	SPRINGFIELD. By agreement of Logan & Lincoln for the plaintiff and Baker and Bledsoe for the defendant, the order of continuance in Porter <i>v.</i> Patterson is set aside and the cause dismissed, each side paying one half of the costs. Logan and Lincoln have three other cases, one is continued, in another they get a verdict, and the third is set for hearing on Monday. <i>Ibid.</i>
SAT. NOV. 26	SPRINGFIELD. On Lincoln's motion, the divorce suit of Robert Goss <i>v.</i> Mary Goss is continued. Edwards, attorney for the defendant, withdraws his plea in the replevin suit, Freeman & Freeman <i>v.</i> Miller. The court then orders that the plaintiff have one cent damages and costs. Logan and Lincoln get a judgment for \$1155.00 in Van Bergen <i>v.</i> Walters. <i>Ibid.</i>

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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln's motion to amend the record is granted in *Crow & Crow v. Crow et al.*; *Waldo v. Masters et al.*, is continued. A jury awards the plaintiff, Lincoln's client, \$286.68 in *Henry v. Speer*. The court awards the plaintiff \$8,200.00 in *Condell, Jones & Co. v. State Bank*. Bledsoe and Lincoln appear for the plaintiff and Thomas for the defendant. *Record*.

TUE.
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SPRINGFIELD. On motion of Logan & Lincoln, the defendant in *McConnell et al. v. Rape* is ruled to file his answer in fifty days, and upon filing replication, leave is granted to either party to take depositions. The defendant files his plea in *North and Bassett v. State Bank*. Logan and Lincoln appear for the plaintiffs and Thomas for the defendant. They win the case of *Lazell v. Francis*. *See entry Nov. 21 and 24. Ibid.*

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SPRINGFIELD. *Irwin v. Ferguson* and *Van Bergen v. Whitmer et al.*, are continued. *North and Bassett v. State Bank* is tried by the court and the plaintiffs, Logan and Lincoln's clients, are awarded \$2714.83 and costs. Appeal to the Supreme Court is granted the defendant. Lincoln files the report of arbitrators awarding the plaintiff, his client, \$54.87 in *Langford v. Johnson*. *Ibid.*

THU.
DEC.
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SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln have ten cases continued, and two dismissed on their motion. *Ibid.*

FRI.
DEC.
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SPRINGFIELD. The commissioners report in *Crow & Crow v. Crow et al.*, is approved and costs are paid by all parties in proportion to property awarded. In *Jackson v. Applegate*, the defendant by Robbins, files his amended answer and the complainant is ruled to file his replication in thirty days. Logan and Lincoln appear for the plaintiff in both cases. *Ibid.*

SAT.
DEC.
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SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln appear in the United States District Court as solicitors of William S. Wilmans. Judge Pope grants the bankruptcy petition and sets March 6, 1843 for final hearing. *Ibid.*

SUN. DEC. 4	
MON. DEC. 5	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln file notice with the clerk of the United States District Court, for all creditors of William S. Wilmans of White County and Thomas M. Hope of Madison County, to appear at the final hearing in bankruptcy at Kaskaskia on March 6, 1843. <i>Record.</i>
TUE. DEC. 6	
WED. DEC. 7	SPRINGFIELD. Logan & Lincoln file the petition, inventory and list of creditors of George Legur of Wabash County. On their motion, Judge Pope sets Feb. 1, 1843 as date for the preliminary hearing in bankruptcy. <i>Ibid.</i>
THU. DEC. 8	
FRI. DEC. 9	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln appear for Henry Arnold in the preliminary hearing, in bankruptcy, before Judge Pope, in the United States District Court. <i>Ibid.</i>
SAT. DEC. 10	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln, attorneys for the plaintiffs in Wilson <i>et al.</i> v. Palmer <i>et al.</i> , win a judgment by default in the United States Circuit Court. The court awards \$1158.59 damages and \$23.52 costs. <i>Ibid.</i>

SUN. DEC. 11	
MON. DEC. 12	SPRINGFIELD. In the United States Circuit Court, Logan and Lincoln file their declaration in Moore <i>v.</i> Nelson & Ashworth, an ejectment suit from Fulton County. <i>Record</i> . [The Supreme Court begins a long term, closing on March 6, 1843.]
TUE. DEC. 13	
WED. DEC. 14	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. The appellants in Schlencker <i>et al. v.</i> Risley, an action of trespass for false imprisonment, and Robinson <i>v.</i> Chesseldine <i>et al.</i> , are ruled to assign errors by Friday. Lincoln appears alone for the appellant in the first case and with Logan in the latter case. <i>Record</i> . Robinson <i>v.</i> Martin is settled by agreement in the U. S. Court. The contract is rescinded and plaintiff recovers the land. <i>Ibid.</i>
THU. DEC. 15	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln appear for two petitioners in bankruptcy, Otis Caswell of Boone County and Jacob Miller of Coles County in the United States District Court. <i>Ibid.</i>
FRI. DEC. 16	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Averill <i>v.</i> Field is argued before the court by Lincoln for the plaintiff and Bledsoe for the defendant. In Greathouse <i>et al. v.</i> Smith, an appeal from Macoupin, the appellant is ruled to file abstracts by Dec. 19. Brayman represents the appellant and Lincoln the appellee. <i>Ibid.</i>
SAT. DEC. 17	

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SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln file notices in *Clark v. Clark*, a divorce petition and *Barrett v. Fulton et al.*, a chancery case, for the defendants who reside out of the state, to appear at the next term of the Sangamon Circuit Court. *Record*.

TUE.
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WED.
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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Benjamin R. Hampton, applicant for admission to the bar, is examined by Gillespie, Lincoln and J. Y. Scammon and admitted to practice. *Ibid*.

THU.
DEC.
22

SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln represent the petitioners in three bankrupt cases in the United States District Court. *Ibid*.

FRI.
DEC.
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SAT.
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SPRINGFIELD. In the House of Representatives, McDonald of Jo Daviess, presents the petition of four members of the Galena bar praying the removal of Thomas C. Browne, Judge of the 6th Judicial Circuit, for want of capacity to discharge the duties of his office. The petition is referred to a committee composed of McDonald, Graves, Koerner, Browning and Ames. Lincoln is Browne's attorney. *House Journal*.

SUN. DEC. 25	
MON. DEC. 26	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Wilson <i>v.</i> Alexander, a case from Tazewell County involving a forged note, is argued by Lincoln for the appellant and Thomas for the appellee. On Dec. 29, the judgment is reversed with costs and the cause remanded for another hearing consistent with Justice Treat's opinion. <i>Record.</i>
TUE. DEC. 27	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Ficklin, attorney for the plaintiff in Alexander <i>et al. v.</i> Frazier <i>et al.</i> , argues his motion, that the writ of error be made a supersedeas. Lincoln appears for the defendant in error. Schlencker <i>et al. v.</i> Risley is set for argument on Jan. 16. <i>Ibid.</i> Logan and Lincoln file notice for all creditors of George Legur to appear on Feb. 1, 1843 before Judge Pope for preliminary hearing. <i>Ibid.</i>
WED. DEC. 28	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. The motion for a supersedeas made yesterday in Alexander <i>et al. v.</i> Frazier <i>et al.</i> , is allowed. <i>Ibid.</i>
THU. DEC. 29	
FRI. DEC. 30	
SAT. DEC. 31	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln, as attorney for Judge Thomas C. Browne, draws up a preamble and resolutions which are presented by O. H. Browning to the House for adoption. He asks the petitioners to set down in writing and file with the clerk of the House, before Monday noon, all the decisions, judicial acts and omissions which they intend proving and that Browne be furnished a copy. <i>House Journal.</i>

SUN. JAN. 1	[Joseph Smith, the Mormon leader, arrived yesterday and is today's sensation in Springfield. He has been arrested on a warrant issued by Governor Ford and his hearing before Judge Pope in the United States District Court set for tomorrow. Smith is present at a ball held on Saturday evening at the American House in honor of the election of Sidney Breese to the United States Senate.]
MON. JAN. 2	SPRINGFIELD. The members of the Galena bar file a specification of their charges against Judge Thomas C. Browne. "The only charge which we call upon the House to notice, involves nothing derogatory to his character, as a man of integrity, but is founded on the natural infirmity and feebleness of his intellect, and over which he has no control." <i>House Journal; Bulletin No. 56 (June, 1939), of Abraham Lincoln Association.</i>
TUE. JAN. 3	SPRINGFIELD. Before the committee of the whole House, the trial of Thomas C. Browne begins at two o'clock. By permission of the House, Judge Browne and Lincoln his counsel, T. Drummond, C. Hempstead, A. L. Holmes and T. E. Campbell, the members of the Galena bar who brought the charges, with their attorneys Lamborn and Spring, take their seats within the bar of the House. <i>Ibid.</i>
WED. JAN. 4	SPRINGFIELD. The trial of Thomas C. Browne continues. The doorkeepers have difficulty in keeping order and quiet. After some time, the committee appointed to conduct the trial [<i>see entry for Dec. 24, 1842</i>] asks to be discharged, which is decided in the negative. <i>Ibid.</i>
THU. JAN. 5	SPRINGFIELD. The trial of Judge Browne occupies the time of the House until late afternoon when the committee asks to be discharged from further consideration of the complaint, which is granted by the House. Thus the case ends. <i>Ibid.</i>
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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Schlencker *et al. v.* Risley, an action of trespass for false imprisonment, appealed from Wabash County, is argued before the court by Ficklin for the appellants and Lincoln for the appellee. The judgment of the trial court is affirmed on January 27. *Record.*

TUE.
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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. James A. McDougall, Attorney General, moves for a peremptory mandamus in People *ex rel. Magone et al. v. Thomas C. Browne*, Judge. Lincoln and Scammon appear for Browne. *Ibid.*

WED.
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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Lincoln, as attorney for the appellee in *McDaniel v. Guy*, an appeal from Macoupin County, files a copy of the record of the circuit court and moves to dismiss the appeal as said appellant has failed to file. The appeal is dismissed. In People *ex rel. Magone et al. v. Browne* the motion for a peremptory mandamus is argued by Campbell for the relator and Scammon for the defendant. *Ibid.*

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SPRINGFIELD. In People *ex rel. Magone et al. v. Browne*, the defendant is given until next Monday to make a return to alternative mandamus. *See entry for Jan. 17-18. Ibid.*

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SUN. JAN. 22	
MON. JAN. 23	
TUE. JAN. 24	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Mason <i>v.</i> Parke, an appeal from Richland, is argued before the court by Ficklin for the plaintiff and Lincoln for the defendant, and the cause submitted. On Feb. 11th the case is remanded to the circuit court with costs against the appellee. <i>Record</i> . Lincoln attends a meeting in the evening of people who are interested in the cause of temperance. <i>See entry for 25th.</i>
WED. JAN. 25	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Lincoln, representing the defendants, obtains leave to file an amended record in Metz <i>et al.</i> <i>v.</i> Wolff <i>et al.</i> , an appeal from Macon County. <i>Record</i> . Lincoln, Josiah Lamborn and J. Dougherty, the committee appointed at the temperance meeting last night, address a letter to the House of Representatives asking the use of the Hall for a temperance lecture by Mr. Fairchild on this evening. <i>Photo</i> .
THU. JAN. 26	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln accompanies the sheriff and his clients Condell & Jones to the State Bank where they collect \$8,200 in specie. At the previous term of the Sangamon Circuit Court he had got a judgment against the Bank for this amount. <i>Joliet Courier</i> , Feb. 1. In the Supreme Court Lincoln appears for the defendant in Ryder <i>et al.</i> <i>v.</i> Stephenson, an appeal from Madison. <i>Record</i> .
FRI. JAN. 27	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. The motion to dismiss the appeal because of the insufficiency of the bond, in Ryder <i>et al.</i> <i>v.</i> Stephenson, argued yesterday by Chickering for the plaintiffs and Lincoln for the defendant, is allowed. Argument is begun in Fitch <i>et al.</i> <i>v.</i> Pritchard <i>et al.</i> , an action of ejectment appealed from Madison County. Lincoln and Chickering are representing the defendants in error. <i>Ibid</i> .
SAT. JAN. 28	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Martin, for the plaintiffs, continues the argument in Fitch <i>et al.</i> <i>v.</i> Pritchard <i>et al.</i> <i>Ibid</i> .

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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. The argument in *Fitch et al. v. Pritchard et al.*, is continued by Martin for the plaintiffs and Lincoln and Chickering for the defendants. *State Bank v. Condell et al.*, an appeal from Sangamon, is submitted upon an agreed case by Thomas for the plaintiff and Logan, Lincoln, Baker and Bledsoe for the defendants. *Record.*

TUE.
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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. The argument is continued in *Fitch et al. v. Pritchard et al.*, by Hall and N. D. Strong for the plaintiffs and Hardin for the defendants. *Ibid.*

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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Lincoln files the certificate of the clerk of the White County Circuit Court in *Gatewood v. McGahee* and moves that the writ of error be dismissed for want of prosecution. The motion is allowed. The argument is concluded by N. D. Strong in *Fitch et al. v. Pritchard et al.*, and the cause submitted. Judgment is affirmed on Feb. 9. *Ibid.*

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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. *Holdridge v. Bailey*, an appeal from LaSalle County, is argued by Lincoln for the plaintiff and Peters for the defendant. The case is submitted. *Ibid.*

SAT.
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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. *Alexander et al. v. Frazier et al.*, an appeal from Vermilion, is submitted to the court by Ficklin for the plaintiff and Lincoln for the defendant without argument. On Feb. 7, judgment is reversed and cause remanded to the circuit court. In *State Bank v. Condell et al.*, J. B. Thomas files the plaintiffs bill and asks the court to grant an injunction. *Ibid.*

SUN. FEB. 5	
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TUE. FEB. 7	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. On the motion of Lincoln, attorney for the appellee in <i>Pentecost et al. v. McGahee</i> , the appellants are ruled to assign errors by Feb 11. <i>Record</i> .
WED. FEB. 8	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. The argument is begun in <i>Edwards v. Helm</i> , a suit to foreclose a mortgage, from Madison County, by N. D. Strong for the plaintiff. Lincoln and Junius Hall also represent the plaintiff and William Martin and B. S. Edwards the defendant. <i>Ibid</i> . [Semple, Douglas and Linder speak on the Oregon question in the evening at the State House. <i>Alton Telegraph, Feb. 18.</i>]
THU. FEB. 9	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Strong continues the argument in <i>Edwards v. Helm</i> . <i>Record</i> . [The meeting on the Oregon question begun last night is continued this evening. Hardin, Baker and Matheny all express their opposition to the annexation of Oregon. <i>Alton Telegraph, Feb. 18.</i>]
FRI. FEB. 10	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Martin and B. S. Edwards, attorneys for the defendant, continue the argument in <i>Edwards v. Helm</i> . <i>Record</i> .
SAT. FEB. 11	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Lincoln concludes the argument, begun on Wednesday in <i>Edwards v. Helm</i> , and the cause is submitted to the court. <i>Ibid</i> . (The decree of the lower court is reversed and the cause remanded on Feb. 27. 5 <i>Ill.</i> 142.)

SUN. FEB. 12	
MON. FEB. 13	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. <i>Watkins v. White</i> , an action of replevin, on appeal from Sangamon, is submitted to the court by Lincoln for the appellant and Bledsoe for the appellee without argument. (Judgment reversed on Feb 25. 4 <i>Ill.</i> 549.) J. B. Thomas argues his application for an injunction in <i>State Bank v. Condell et al.</i> The application is resisted by Lincoln and Bledsoe. <i>Record.</i>
TUE. FEB. 14	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes Alden Hull of Tazewell County, his colleague in the Illinois Legislature, 1839-1841, saying he wishes to be elected to Congress and requesting his aid, if Tazewell and Sangamon are put in the same Congressional District. <i>Angle</i> , 15. To Richard S. Thomas, he writes: "now if you should hear anyone say that Lincoln don't want to go to Congress . . . tell him . . . he is mistaken." <i>Tracy</i> , 9-10.
WED. FEB. 15	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. <i>Greathouse et al. v. Smith</i> , an action of debt from Macoupin County, is submitted to the court by Brayman for the appellant and Lincoln for the appellee without argument. <i>Record.</i> (On Feb. 18, the judgment of the trial court is affirmed. 4 <i>Ill.</i> 541.)
THU. FEB. 16	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. <i>Frisby et al. v. Ballance et al.</i> , an ejectment suit involving the title to a tract of land in Peoria County, is submitted to the court upon written arguments. Lincoln is attorney for the plaintiffs in error and Justin Butterfield, appears for the defendants in error. <i>Record.</i>
FRI. FEB. 17	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. The Supreme Court refuses to take jurisdiction of the plaintiffs application for an injunction in the <i>State Bank v. Condell et al.</i> See entry for Feb. 13. <i>Ibid.</i>
SAT. FEB. 18	

SUN. FEB. 19	
MON. FEB. 20	[General William F. Thornton gives a party at the Globe Tavern for members of the Legislature and friends.]
TUE. FEB. 21	
WED. FEB. 22	[Washington's birthday is celebrated with a large meeting in the Hall of Representatives. The Masons, Legislative Temperance Society of sixty members, and the Springfield Cadets, each attend in a body. Addresses are given by Hon. A. Jonas, Past M. W. G. M. of the Grand Lodge of Illinois, and John Dougherty of Jonesboro.]
THU. FEB. 23	
FRI. FEB. 24	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. The Supreme Court reverses the judgment of the trial court in Holdridge v. Bailey, argued on Feb. 1. <i>Record</i> .
SAT. FEB. 25	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Scammon moves for a re-hearing in Holdridge v. Bailey. The motion is denied on the 27th. <i>Ibid</i> .

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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Dorman *v.* Lane is argued by Lincoln for the plaintiff and Trumbull for the defendant. This was a case started by the defendant in error, as administrator, in the Gallatin Circuit Court for the sale of certain real estate to satisfy debts against the estate of the decedent. *Record.*

TUE.
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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Lincoln concludes the argument, begun yesterday, in Dorman *v.* Lane. *Ibid.*

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SPRINGFIELD. The Whigs in the Legislature and others meet in the hall of representatives. William H. Davidson, Senator from White County is elected chairman. Lincoln states the object of the meeting and offers a series of resolutions favoring a tariff, national bank, distribution of the proceeds from the sale of public lands and district conventions. Addresses are given by Lincoln, Henderson, Browning and Baker. *Works, I, 240-42.*

THU.
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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln makes a move toward his election to Congress, by suggesting to Richard S. Thomas that he become one of the two Cass County delegates to the Whig district convention. He concludes the letter with news of the Whig meeting held the previous evening. *Tracy, 10.* In the Supreme Court, on Lincoln's motion, the plaintiffs are ruled to file abstracts by tomorrow in Pentecost *et al. v.* McGahee *et al.* *Record.*

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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. The Supreme Court orders the re-argument of England *v.* Clark. *See entry for Dec. 28, 1841. Ibid.*

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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln, Logan & Bledsoe, the committee appointed Mar. 1st, issue an address to the People. The resolutions adopted then are elaborated upon. Whig success they say will come again only if all vote unitedly. *Works, I, 243-59.* The Supreme Court takes under advisement Dorman *et ux. v.* Lane and Frisby *et al. v.* Ballance *et al.* (On Jan. 2, 1844, judgment is reversed in the latter case. *Record; 7 Ill. 141.*)

SUN. MAR. 5	
MON. MAR. 6	SPRINGFIELD. Most of the Whigs around Springfield, including Lincoln, meet and agree to hold the district convention at Tremont in Tazewell County. <i>Works, I, 259.</i>
TUE. MAR. 7	SPRINGFIELD. In a letter to John Bennett Lincoln urges that the Whigs of Menard County adopt the convention plan for nomination of candidates and meet and appoint delegates to the district convention to be held at Tremont on the 5th of April. <i>See entry of Mar. 16. Works, I, 259.</i>
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THU. MAR. 16	[The State Central Committee conclude to postpone the District Convention until the first Monday in May. They do this, they say, because John J. Hardin, now on a visit to Kentucky, understood this was the time of the meeting and also to secure party harmony. <i>Journal, Mar. 16.</i>]
FRI. MAR. 17	
SAT. MAR. 18	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln draws up an affidavit for an injunction for Samuel Renshaw against Hezekiah Thatcher and James Barth. <i>Hertz, II, 538-39.</i>

SUN. MAR. 19	
MON. MAR. 20	SPRINGFIELD. Sangamon County Whigs hold a convention in the State House to select delegates to the Seventh Congressional District Convention, and to select a candidate for Congress. After several ballots, Lincoln withdraws and Baker is chosen. Lincoln is chosen one of the eight delegates. He writes Speed that in getting Baker the nomination, he will be like a groomsman to a man who has cut him out. <i>Register</i> , Mar. 24; <i>Works</i> , I, 261.
TUE. MAR. 21	SPRINGFIELD. The Sangamon Circuit Court opens for a term of ten days. Logan and Lincoln have three cases continued and two dismissed. The defendant enters his appearance in Hill <i>v.</i> Warner. Logan and Lincoln appear for the plaintiff and Strong for the defendant. <i>Record</i> .
WED. MAR. 22	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln have seventeen cases called. Three are continued, three dismissed and two set for hearing tomorrow. They obtain judgment in five cases and file pleas in two others. In Mallory <i>v.</i> Maxey <i>et al.</i> , the plaintiff, their client, is ruled to show cause why he should not give security for costs. Wm. H. Herndon <i>v.</i> J. C. Crowder is dismissed at defendants cost. Lincoln appears for Herndon, his future law partner. <i>Ibid</i> .
THU. MAR. 23	SPRINGFIELD. Judgment for \$1056.39 is awarded the plaintiff in Speed <i>v.</i> Brice. Logan and Lincoln appear for the plaintiff and Baker & Bledsoe for the defendant. On Lincoln's motion, the plaintiff is ruled to file his declaration by Monday morning in Davis <i>v.</i> Hanson. <i>Ibid</i> . Speed writes Lincoln that he has received his letter of Mar. 23, and outlines business he wishes Lincoln to attend to for him. <i>Photo</i> .
FRI. MAR. 24	SPRINGFIELD. Logan & Lincoln win two divorce suits, and Brown <i>v.</i> Broadwell in which they appear for the defendant. Frink, Walker & Co. <i>v.</i> De Camp is argued before a jury; the plaintiff takes a nonsuit. Hill <i>v.</i> Thatcher <i>et al.</i> , is dismissed; Miller <i>v.</i> Freeman <i>et al.</i> , is argued and the jury retires. They obtain leave to amend the plea in Urquhart <i>v.</i> Gray. They represent the plaintiffs in the last three cases; in the others the defendants. <i>Record</i> .
SAT. MAR. 25	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln win the case of Miller <i>v.</i> Freeman & Co., when the jury returns a verdict for the defendant. Robbins, attorney for the plaintiff, enters a motion for a new trial and files his reasons. <i>Ibid</i> .

SUN. MAR. 26	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln replies to a letter received yesterday from Martin S. Morris, a friend of his New Salem days. He explains the reason why Baker, rather than himself, was endorsed for Congress by the Sangamon County Whig Convention on March 20. The news that Menard County may instruct its delegates to the district convention for Lincoln is very pleasing and he urges it be done. <i>Works, I, 263-65.</i>
MON. MAR. 27	SPRINGFIELD. In the Sangamon Circuit Court fourteen chancery cases and one trespass case are continued on motion of Logan and Lincoln and four cases are dismissed. They win <i>Klein v. Carrigan</i> in which they appear for the plaintiff and Baker and Bledsoe for the defendant. <i>Record.</i>
TUE. MAR. 28	SPRINGFIELD. On motion of Logan and Lincoln, attorneys for the plaintiff, <i>Dormandy v. Cavanaugh</i> , an assumpsit suit, is dismissed at the cost of their client. <i>Ibid.</i>
WED. MAR. 29	SPRINGFIELD. <i>Jackson v. Applegate</i> , a chancery case, is continued. The plaintiff files his replication in <i>Urquhart v. Gray</i> , an assumpsit suit. Logan and Lincoln appear for the plaintiff in the former case and for the defendant in the latter. <i>Ibid.</i>
THU. MAR. 30	SPRINGFIELD. <i>Barrett v. Fulton et al.</i> , a suit involving the ownership of several lots in Springfield, is won by the plaintiff, Logan and Lincoln's client. They lose <i>Urquhart v. Gray</i> , when the jury awards the plaintiff \$50.00. Three cases are continued. <i>Ibid.</i>
FRI. MAR. 31	SPRINGFIELD. <i>Williams v. Reeves</i> , the only case called for Logan and Lincoln, is continued. <i>Ibid.</i>
SAT. APR. 1	[The Menard County Whig Convention meeting at Petersburg today instructs its two delegates, Martin S. Morris and George U. Miles to vote first for Lincoln and second for Hardin at the District Convention at Pekin on May 1st. <i>Journal, Apr. 13.</i>]

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TREMONT. In the Tazewell Circuit Court W. L. May *v.* L. M. Greene & J. B. Loose is continued. Logan and Lincoln appear for May, former Whig leader in Springfield, now operating a ferry at Peoria. Greene is a brother of William G. Greene, a clerk with Lincoln in the Offut store at New Salem. This suit involves ownership of a strip of land along the river, patented by the defendants and claimed by May as included in his prior patent. *Record.*

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TREMONT. Lincoln is assumed to have been in attendance during the entire spring term of the Tazewell Court, which opened yesterday, and closes on April 11. This assumption is made because of his rather large practise there, and because of the statement in the letter of James C. Conkling, quoted in the entry for April 15, 1843.

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SUN. APR. 9	TREMONT.
MON. APR. 10	TREMONT.
TUE. APR. 11	TREMONT.
WED. APR. 12	EN ROUTE TO VERSAILLES.
THU. APR. 13	VERSAILLES. On the opening day of the two day term of the Woodford Circuit Court, Lincoln appears for the plaintiff and Gridley for the defendant in Rathbone <i>v.</i> Boggs. The court orders that judgment of the court below be affirmed for \$20.00. <i>Record</i> . At a Whig meeting in the evening the delegate to the District Convention is instructed to cast his vote for Hardin for Congress. <i>Hardin to James Berdan, Tremont, April 15, Hardin MSS.</i>
FRI. APR. 14	VERSAILLES. Tucker <i>v.</i> Williams is dismissed by agreement. Lincoln appears for the defendant. He draws up the affidavit of the defendant in Wilkins <i>v.</i> Tucker. He writes Martin S. Morris that he has heard that E. D. Baker has been trying to get the Menard delegates, who were instructed to vote for Lincoln at the district convention, to vote for him. <i>Record; Works, I, 265-266.</i>
SAT. APR. 15	VERSAILLES. James C. Conkling, in a letter to his wife from Bloomington on the 18th, says that he reached Bloomington Monday afternoon, April 17th and "Found Lincoln desperately homesick and turning his head frequently towards the south." From this statement it is assumed he remained away from Springfield over the week end. <i>Conkling, MSS.</i>

SUN. APR. 16	EN ROUTE FROM VERSAILLES TO BLOOMINGTON. The trip to Bloomington from Versailles, approximately forty miles, was probably made on Sunday. <i>See entry for yesterday.</i>
MON. APR. 17	BLOOMINGTON. Lincoln was in attendance at the opening of a six day term of the McLean Court. <i>See entry of April 15.</i> [Springfield elects a Whig mayor and aldermen, pledged to pay the third installment of \$16,666.66 due to the State on the \$50,000 promised in 1837 when the State Capital was moved to Springfield. <i>Alton Telegraph and Democratic Review, April 22.</i>]
TUE. APR. 18	BLOOMINGTON?
WED. APR. 19	BLOOMINGTON?
THU. APR. 20	BLOOMINGTON?
FRI. APR. 21	BLOOMINGTON?
SAT. APR. 22	BLOOMINGTON?

SUN. APR. 23	
MON. APR. 24	[The Livingston County Circuit Court holds a one day session.]
TUE. APR. 25	
WED. APR. 26	
THU. APR. 27	CLINTON. The DeWitt Circuit Court opens a two day session. On motion of the plaintiff, an <i>alias scire facias</i> is awarded and the cause continued in A. Lincoln <i>v.</i> Spencer and William Turner. <i>Record.</i>
FRI. APR. 28	
SAT. APR. 29	

SUN. APR. 30	
MON. MAY 1	PEKIN. The Whig convention of the Seventh Congressional District meets. Lincoln, one of the eight delegates from Sangamon, takes an active part. As chairman of the delegation he withdraws E. D. Baker's name as a candidate when it appears certain that Hardin is to be the nominee. Lincoln moves that the delegates, as individuals, favor Baker as the candidate for Congress in 1844. <i>Illinois (Lacon) Gazette, May 6.</i>
TUE. MAY 2	[The Champaign County Circuit Court met yesterday, and closes its spring term today at Urbana.]
WED. MAY 3	
THU. MAY 4	[The Piatt Circuit Court convenes at Monticello.]
FRI. MAY 5	SPRINGFIELD. In the United States Circuit Court Logan and Lincoln, representing the plaintiff in <i>Larkin v. Doyle</i> , file their declaration and pray for the issue of a writ of summons. <i>Record.</i>
SAT. MAY 6	

SUN. MAY 7	
MON. MAY 8	[The Macon County Circuit Court holds a one day session at Decatur.]
TUE. MAY 9	
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THU. MAY 11	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes Hardin that the Sangamon County Whigs will give their whole hearted support to his campaign for Congress. "We propose," promises Lincoln, "upon pain of losing a barbecue, to give you twice as great a majority in this county as you shall receive in your own. I got up the proposal." <i>Works, I</i> , 266. <i>See entry for Oct. 6.</i> [The Moultrie Circuit Court convenes at Sullivan.]
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[The Coles County Circuit Court convenes, and the Shelby Circuit Court opens for a four day term.]

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SPRINGFIELD. In a gossipy letter to Speed, Lincoln assures him that all will be harmony among the Whigs in electing Hardin to Congress. He invites Speed to come to Springfield. A room at the Globe Tavern, where the Lincolns are residing, will be arranged for him. *Works, I*, 267.

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[Col. R. M. Johnson, Vice-President of the United States, 1837-1841, arrives in Springfield Friday evening. Following the parade this morning, a reception is held in the Hall of Representatives of the State House. The Democratic Association presents the Colonel with a hickory cane. On Sunday he attends the Methodist church in the morning and the Baptist church in the afternoon. *Register, May 26.*]

SUN. MAY 21	
MON. MAY 22	TAYLORVILLE. Logan and Lincoln have three cases dismissed and one continued at the one day term of the Christian Circuit Court. Rountree and Lincoln have one case continued. In <i>People v. Langley et al.</i> , two indictments for riot, the states attorney drops the prosecution of one and gets a jury verdict in the other. The court fines Langley \$20.00 and each of the three other defendants \$5.00. Rountree & Lincoln appear for the defendants. <i>Record.</i>
TUE. MAY 23	
WED. MAY 24	
THU. MAY 25	[The Logan Circuit Court convenes.]
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SUN. JUNE 4	
MON. JUNE 5	PETERSBURG. The Menard Circuit Court opens a two day term. Lincoln, attorney for the defendants moves to dismiss the appeal in <i>Bale v. Beekman & Spears</i> ; and <i>Short v. Short</i> , and a similar motion for the plaintiff in <i>Walker v. Estill</i> . <i>Waggoner et al. v. Estep</i> is continued. In <i>Lesure & Bliss v. Menard County</i> , a change of venue to Sangamon is granted. Lincoln appears for the plaintiff in the former and for the defendant in the latter case. <i>Record</i> .
TUE. JUNE 6	PETERSBURG. Lincoln's motion of yesterday in <i>Bale v. Beekman & Spears</i> , is overruled. Beekman turns a bay mare over to the plaintiff and Lincoln draws up an agreement to call off the suit. His motion of yesterday in <i>Short v. Short</i> , is sustained. The defendant is to have his costs in both courts. <i>Walker v. Estill</i> is dismissed by mutual agreement. He loses the appeal case <i>Lukins v. Moon</i> and wins <i>Pollard v. Backinstos et al.</i> <i>Record</i> .
WED. JUNE 7	
THU. JUNE 8	[The Mason County Circuit Court convenes at Havana for a two day term.]
FRI. JUNE 9	SPRINGFIELD. A meeting of representative Whigs from all over the State is held in the evening in the State House. Captain H. H. Gear of Galena is chairman, and James H. Matheny of Springfield, secretary. The meeting is addressed by Baker, Hardin and J. J. Brown of Vermilion County. <i>Journal, June 15</i> .
SAT. JUNE 10	SPRINGFIELD. The Whig convention continues. Lincoln speaks "in his usual forcible manner" and concludes by offering four resolutions, which are adopted. One resolution calls for a State Whig Convention, to be held in Springfield in December, to choose a Whig electoral ticket for 1844. The other important resolution is a challenge to the democrats for a nightly debate in the State House. <i>Ibid</i> .

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SPRINGFIELD. The United States Circuit Court convenes for its summer term. Justices McLean and Pope are on the bench. The number of lawyers and the amount of business are unusually large. *Moore v. Nelson & Ashworth*, in which Logan & Lincoln appear for the plaintiff is continued. *Journal, June 15; Record.*

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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln draws up a motion to amend his return on the execution in the case of *Gould et al. v. Robert Allen* in the Sangamon Circuit Court. *Leland Sale Catalogue.*

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SPRINGFIELD. Samuel Wycoff and Dennis Forrest, owners of adjoining tracts of land in Sangamon County, have a dispute concerning a small strip of land. They submit the question to Lincoln, and sign an agreement, which he draws up, to abide by his decision. *See entry for July 3; Angle, 16-17.*

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[Lincoln enters himself as security for costs in Candler *v.* Williams, in the Christian Circuit Court. *Photo.*]

SUN. JUNE 25	
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TUE. JUNE 27	
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FRI. JUNE 30	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln file a notice to all creditors of George Legur, a bankrupt from Wabash County, to appear at the United States District Court at Kaskaskia, on September 21, 1843, to show cause why the bankrupt should not receive a certificate and be discharged from his debts. <i>Record.</i>
SAT. JULY 1	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln, Stephen J. Iankiewicz and Norman H. Purple, the committee of arbitrators appointed yesterday by Gov. Ford and Anson G. Henry begin their work of examining Henry's accounts as the late State House Commissioner. Their work continues for twelve days. <i>Photo.</i>

SUN. JULY 2	
MON. JULY 3	SPRINGFIELD. Acting as arbitrator between Samuel Wycoff and Dennis Forrest in a dispute over a strip of land (see June 19), Lincoln awards the land to Wycoff and designates the dividing line between their respective holdings. <i>Angle</i> , 16-17. [No summer term of the Illinois Supreme Court is held.]
TUE. JULY 4	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln, Iankiewicz and Purple continue their investigation all this week. <i>See entry for July 1.</i>
WED. JULY 5	SPRINGFIELD. <i>See entry for July 4.</i>
THU. JULY 6	SPRINGFIELD. <i>See entry for July 4.</i>
FRI. JULY 7	SPRINGFIELD. <i>See entry for July 4.</i>
SAT. JULY 8	SPRINGFIELD. <i>See entry for July 4.</i>

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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln, Iankiewicz and Purple continue their investigation of the State House accounts until Friday this week. *See entry for July 1.*

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SPRINGFIELD. *See entry for yesterday.*

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SPRINGFIELD. *See entry for July 10.*

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SPRINGFIELD. *See entry for July 10.*

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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln, Iankiewicz and Purple complete their investigation of the accounts of Anson G. Henry, late State House Commissioner. They award the State \$271. *Photo.*

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SUN. JULY 16	
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TUE. JULY 18	
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FRI. JULY 21	SPRINGFIELD. In the United States Circuit Court, Logan and Lincoln file the plaintiffs affidavit in Vance <i>v.</i> Kilgore <i>et al.</i> , to hold the defendants to bail. <i>Record.</i>
SAT. JULY 22	

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SPRINGFIELD. To Robert S. Blackwell, Lincoln writes; "Yours of the 18th, inclosing your license is received. I have had it perfected and herewith return it to you." *Photo*. [The summer term of the Sangamon Circuit Court, scheduled to open today, is not held.]

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[The *Sangamo Journal* of today is the first issue available showing the removal of Logan & Lincoln to the third floor of the building at the south west corner of Sixth and Adams streets, over the Post Office. The last available issue showing their office "opposite Hoffman's Row," is Feb. 23, 1843. Logan & Lincoln remained in the new location until the partnership was dissolved. *Journal*, July 27, 1843 in the Library of Congress.]

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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes to an unknown correspondent in Tremont concerning the removal of the county seat. He says he has consulted with Logan and believes that the land will revert to the donor if the county seat is removed to Pekin. *Broadside in Brown University Library.*

TUE.
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SPRINGFIELD. Robert Todd Lincoln, their first child, is born to Abraham and Mary Lincoln at the Globe Tavern. (7)

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SUN. AUG. 6	
MON. AUG. 7	SPRINGFIELD. ELECTION DAY. In a letter to Speed, May 18th, Lincoln said he intended to support the nominee of the party for Congress, but at the polls today he does not vote for Hardin for Congress, nor for, or against, any of the Whig candidates for the county offices. His only votes are for constable and justice of peace. <i>Election Returns.</i>
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FRI. AUG. 18	
SAT. AUG. 19	SPRINGFIELD. The Whigs of Sangamon County open the campaign of 1844 with a convention in Springfield. They resolve to fight on until they secure a Whig legislature, a Whig Senator, together with a majority of Whig Congressmen—and pledge themselves to give Henry Clay a majority of 850 votes in 1844. Lincoln, Baker and A. G. Henry address the convention. <i>Quincy Whig</i> , Aug. 30.

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SUN. AUG. 27	
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TUE. AUG. 29	
WED. AUG. 30	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln makes affidavit before John Calhoun, clerk of the Sangamon Circuit Court, that Richard J. Hamilton and Benjamin F. Fridley are material witnesses for the defense in Johnson <i>v.</i> Strode. The defendant desires to take their testimony by deposition. <i>Photo.</i>
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TREMONT. In the Tazewell Circuit Court Lincoln representing the defendants in Davis *v.* Frazer & Wilson, moves to quash the *scire facias*. *Record*.

THU.
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TREMONT. Lincoln appears for the defendants in Cromwell & McNaughton *v.* Hewitt & Davenport. On motion of Leonard, attorney for the complainant, the cause is continued. He appears for the plaintiff in Williams *v.* Hughes and gets judgment by default for \$455.54. *Ibid*.

FRI.
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TREMONT. Leonard, attorney for the complainants in Cromwell & McNaughton *v.* Baker & County of Tazewell, moves that defendants be ruled to file their answer by tomorrow. Logan and Lincoln appear for the defendants. *Ibid*.

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TREMONT. On motion of plaintiff's attorneys, Logan and Lincoln, May *v.* Greene and Loose is continued. *Ibid*.

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TREMONT. The defendants default in Cromwell & McNaughton *v.* Baker and County of Tazewell; the plaintiff is awarded \$2123.23. Leonard is attorney for the plaintiff, Logan and Lincoln for the defendant. *Record.*

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EN ROUTE TO HANOVER.

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HANOVER. The Woodford Circuit Court opens for a two day term. The case of Robinson *v.* Cassel is argued before a jury. Holland appears for the plaintiff and Lincoln for the defendant. *Ibid.*

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SUN. SEPT. 17	
MON. SEPT. 18	BLOOMINGTON? [The McLean County Circuit Court convenes for a six day term.]
TUE. SEPT. 19	BLOOMINGTON?
WED. SEPT. 20	BLOOMINGTON. Lincoln pays the clerk's fees in the two cases Wood and Abbott <i>v.</i> Thomas and Fell <i>et al.</i> <i>Fee Book.</i> See entry for April 28, 1842.
THU. SEPT. 21	BLOOMINGTON?
FRI. SEPT. 22	BLOOMINGTON?
SAT. SEPT. 23	BLOOMINGTON?

SUN. SEPT. 24	
MON. SEPT. 25	[The Livingston County Circuit Court holds a one day session at Pontiac.]
TUE. SEPT. 26	
WED. SEPT. 27	
THU. SEPT. 28	CLINTON. The DeWitt County Circuit Court convenes for a two day term. Abraham Lincoln <i>v.</i> Spencer Turner and William Turner is continued. Lincoln appears for the petitioner in Henrietta L. McDowall <i>v.</i> Jane L. Duncan <i>et al.</i> , and on his motion Clifton H. Moore, a Clinton attorney, is appointed guardian <i>ad litem</i> for the infant defendants. <i>Record.</i>
FRI. SEPT. 29	CLINTON. Lincoln appears again in McDowall <i>v.</i> Duncan <i>et al.</i> The court orders that the petitioner recover dower out of the property of the late David Duncan, husband of the petitioner. <i>Ibid.</i>
SAT. SEPT. 30	

SUN. OCT. 1	
MON. OCT. 2	URBANA. The Champaign Circuit Court convenes for a three day term. In <i>People v. Spurgeon et al.</i> , an assault case, Lincoln enters a plea of not guilty and argues the case before a jury. The jury find Eli, Nancy and Mary Spurgeon not guilty and Joseph and Nathan Spurgeon guilty. <i>Record; Photo.</i>
TUE. OCT. 3	URBANA. Lincoln argues his motion for a new trial in <i>People v. Joseph and Nathan Spurgeon</i> . The court overrules the motion as to Joseph, and sustains it as to Nathan. Joseph is fined \$20.00 and costs. Lincoln appears for the plaintiff in the <i>State Bank v. Mitchell et al.</i> , and moves the court to set aside the sale of real estate heretofore made. <i>Record.</i>
WED. OCT. 4	
THU. OCT. 5	[The Piatt Circuit Court convenes at Monticello.]
FRI. OCT. 6	JACKSONVILLE. Morgan County Whigs pay an election bet to the Sangamon and other Whigs at a barbecue in Jacksonville. Sangamon gave Hardin twice as great a majority as Morgan in the congressional election. They thus won the proposal made by Lincoln to Hardin on May 11. Speeches are made by Lincoln, Baker and Matheny of Sangamon, Hardin and Yates of Morgan, Hay of Pike and Blackwell of Schuyler. <i>Quincy Whig, Oct. 18.</i> (8)
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[The Macon County Circuit Court convenes for a one day term.]

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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln receipts on the warrant register in the Auditor's office for \$75.00. This is the salary of A. Kitchell as states attorney of the Fourth Judicial Circuit for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1843. He probably delivers the money to Kitchell at Charleston on next Monday.

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[The Moultrie Circuit Court convenes at Sullivan.]

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CHARLESTON. The Coles County Circuit Court begins its fall term. Bagley *v.* Van Meter, a slander suit, is tried before a jury by Lincoln and Linder. The jury awards the plaintiff \$80.00 damages. By agreement, Lincoln is to have \$30.00 of the judgment as his fee, and Linder \$20.00. *Weik MSS.*, 569. [The Shelby Circuit Court convenes for a three day term.]

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[The Whigs in Springfield hold a "love feast" in the evening over the party success in the recent elections in Georgia. *Simeon Francis to John J. Hardin Springfield Ill. Oct. 19. Hardin MSS.*]

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<p>SUN. OCT. 22</p>	
<p>MON. OCT. 23</p>	<p>TAYLORVILLE. The Christian Circuit Court meets today only. Young <i>v.</i> Archer and Lindsley <i>v.</i> Kilbourne & Archer are continued. Candler <i>v.</i> Williams is tried by the court, and the plaintiff is awarded \$176.19½ and costs. Logan and Lincoln appear for the defendant in the first two cases and for the plaintiff in the latter. Rountree and Lincoln appear for the plaintiff in Gilbert <i>v.</i> Ralston which is continued. <i>Record.</i></p>
<p>TUE. OCT. 24</p>	<p>SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln acknowledge the receipt in full of the judgment obtained Dec. 10, 1842 in Wilson <i>et al. v.</i> Palmer <i>et al.</i>, in the United States Circuit Court. <i>Execution Docket</i>, 196.</p>
<p>WED. OCT. 25</p>	
<p>THU. OCT. 26</p>	<p>[The Logan County Circuit Court convenes at Postville.]</p>
<p>FRI. OCT. 27</p>	
<p>SAT. OCT. 28</p>	

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MON. NOV. 6	PETERSBURG. The Menard Circuit Court begins a three day term. The defendant defaults in Miles <i>v.</i> Webb & Rogers. The court gives the plaintiff, Lincoln's client, judgment for \$368.60. Because the justice of peace had failed to send up all papers, White & Williams <i>v.</i> Baxter is continued until Wednesday. Leave is given to open depositions in Waggoner <i>et al.</i> <i>v.</i> Estep. Lincoln appears for the plaintiff in the last two cases. <i>Record.</i>
TUE. NOV. 7	PETERSBURG. Taylor <i>v.</i> Wright, a bill to foreclose a mortgage, is continued. Logan and Lincoln represent the complainant. <i>Ibid.</i>
WED. NOV. 8	PETERSBURG. The jury awards the plaintiff \$33.70 in White & Williams <i>v.</i> Baxter. A jury is sworn in Mills & McCoy <i>v.</i> Merill, when Lincoln, attorney for the plaintiff dismisses the appeal. The petition to sell real estate in Wilcox <i>v.</i> Wilcox <i>et al.</i> , is granted and Lincoln, attorney for the complainant files his report. The injunction, in Waggoner <i>et al.</i> <i>v.</i> Estep, is made perpetual in the sum of \$14.62; Lincoln for complainant. <i>Ibid.</i>
THU. NOV. 9	[The Mason Circuit Court does not hold a fall term.]
FRI. NOV. 10	
SAT. NOV. 11	

SUN. NOV. 12	
MON. NOV. 13	SPRINGFIELD. The Sangamon Circuit Court is in session from today until November 30. Three cases are dismissed and two continued for Logan and Lincoln. In <i>Smedley v. Vredenburg</i> , the defendant is made a party to the judgment obtained against Robert F. Canfield on Nov. 22, 1842. Logan and Lincoln appear for the plaintiff. <i>Record</i> .
TUE. NOV. 14	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln win by default <i>Butler v. Webster and Caldwell v. Moore & Moore</i> . The defendant in <i>Short et al. v. Miller</i> , is made a party to a judgment obtained against E. C. Blankenship. Logan and Lincoln appear for the complainants. They enter a motion in <i>Bosbyshell v. Moore</i> , and take a non-suit in <i>Mallory v. Maxey et al.</i> Two cases are dismissed, one continued and three set for later hearing. <i>Ibid</i> .
WED. NOV. 15	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln obtain judgments in seven suits, totaling \$4499.74. Four cases are dismissed, one continued, and in two they are ruled to plead tomorrow. On motion of Lincoln, Bledsoe is appointed guardian for the infant heirs in <i>Gardner v. Johnson et al.</i> , and the defendant is ruled to answer tomorrow. On March 29, 1842, Hamlin Whitmore got judgment against Ervin Clark; on Lincoln's motion a writ to sell property is given. <i>Ibid</i> .
THU. NOV. 16	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln, attorneys for the defendants, file their pleas in <i>Lewis v. Broadwell</i> ; <i>Brother v. Frink, Walker & Co.</i> , and <i>Webster & Co. v. Kilburn & Co.</i> Two cases are dismissed. They win six other cases, in one of which, <i>Constant v. White</i> , they obtain judgment for \$1200 for the plaintiff. <i>Ibid</i> .
FRI. NOV. 17	SPRINGFIELD. Four cases are won by Logan & Lincoln by default, including <i>Speed v. Branson et al.</i> Four cases are dismissed, three continued and on their motion, E. D. Baker is appointed guardian in two chancery cases. In <i>Robert S. Todd v. Nathaniel A. Ware</i> , on Lincoln's motion the defendant is ruled to file his answer by Monday. The plaintiff, Robert S. Todd, is Lincoln's father-in-law. <i>Ibid</i> .
SAT. NOV. 18	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln have seven cases in court. In three chancery cases their petitions are granted, they lose two assumpsit suits, a trespass case is dismissed and an assumpsit suit set for Monday. <i>Ibid</i> .

SUN. NOV. 19	
MON. NOV. 20	SPRINGFIELD. Erastus Wright, School Commissioner, employs Logan and Lincoln in eight debt cases. On their motion all eight cases are dismissed. They obtain judgment of foreclosure in Barrett <i>v.</i> Crowder; two debt cases are continued on their motion. In Runyon <i>v.</i> Dresser, on their motion the defendant is ruled to answer in the morning. They win Lewis <i>v.</i> Broadwell when the suit is dismissed for want of prosecution. <i>Record.</i>
TUE. NOV. 21	SPRINGFIELD. Brother <i>v.</i> Frink, Walker & Co., is argued before a jury. The defendant files his demurrer to Lincoln's bill in Todd <i>v.</i> Ware. Notice of publication is filed by the complainant in Mitchell <i>v.</i> Corneau <i>et al.</i> Permission to sell property is granted the complainant in Dabney <i>v.</i> Whitney <i>et al.</i> Logan and Lincoln appear for the plaintiff in all four cases. <i>Ibid.</i>
WED. NOV. 22	SPRINGFIELD. Logan & Lincoln win the case of Brother <i>v.</i> Frink, Walker & Co., when the jury awards the plaintiff \$612.50. Lesure & Bliss <i>v.</i> County of Menard is a legal battle between Campbell & Lincoln. The case is continued. Five other cases of Logan and Lincoln are called. <i>Ibid.</i>
THU. NOV. 23	SPRINGFIELD. The court hears the argument on the defendants demurrer in Todd <i>v.</i> Ware, and takes time to consider. The petition to partition land in Van Deren <i>et al. v.</i> Van Deren <i>et al.</i> , is granted. The defendant in Runyon <i>v.</i> Dresser, fails to comply with the rule of the court requiring him to answer the complainants bill and is ruled to convey the lot to the plaintiff. Logan & Lincoln appear for the plaintiff in all three cases. <i>Ibid.</i>
FRI. NOV. 24	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln obtain two judgments for the School Commissioners and dismiss nine other cases. The People <i>v.</i> Joseph Klein and Louisa Hosey, charged with fornication and adultery, is continued by order of States Attorney McDougall. Logan and Lincoln appear for the defendants in this case and for the plaintiffs in three other cases. <i>Ibid.</i>
SAT. NOV. 25	SPRINGFIELD. In each of three cases of E. Wright, School Commissioner <i>v.</i> Chatterton <i>et al.</i> ; Glynn <i>et al.</i> ; and McDonald <i>et al.</i> , Logan and Lincoln obtain judgment for \$100.00 debt and \$17.00 damages. They also obtain judgment in Gardner <i>v.</i> Johnson <i>et al.</i> The court sustains the defendants demurrer in Todd <i>v.</i> Ware, but overrules the demurrer to the complainants amended bill. <i>Ibid.</i>

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SPRINGFIELD. Judgment by default for \$2042.00 is awarded the plaintiff in Mitchell *v.* Corneau *et al.* A. T. Bledsoe is appointed guardian in Caldwell *v.* Foster *et al.* Logan and Lincoln appear for the plaintiff in both cases. *Record.*

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SPRINGFIELD. The injunction in Sparks *v.* Bird & Bird is made perpetual. Todd *v.* Ware is submitted to the court on the bill, amended bill, answer, replication and exhibit to be heard during vacation. Gentry *v.* Gentry, a petition for divorce is dismissed. Sixteen cases are continued. Logan and Lincoln appear for the plaintiff in each case. *Ibid.*

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SPRINGFIELD. Todd *v.* Ware is to be heard by the judge on Dec. 9, in his chambers. Both parties may take depositions within the city of Springfield. Lincoln files the award of the arbitrators in Wood *v.* Jones and moves that said award be the judgment of the court. Logan and Lincoln win two chancery cases, and get judgment of \$341.00 for the plaintiffs in Lane & Webb *v.* Edwards. *Ibid.*

FRI.
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SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln file the declaration in Vance *v.* Kilgore *et al.*, in the United States Circuit Court. The plaintiff, Joseph Vance, declares the defendants are indebted to John W. Vance on two notes for \$150.00 each and about \$150.00 interest. *Ibid.*

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SUN. DEC. 3	
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TUE. DEC. 5	SPRINGFIELD. In the United States Circuit Court, on motion of Logan and Lincoln, attorneys for the plaintiff in Vance <i>v.</i> Kilgore <i>et al.</i> , the defendants are ruled to plead tomorrow. <i>Record.</i>
WED. DEC. 6	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln win Vance <i>v.</i> Kilgore <i>et al.</i> , when the defendants default in the United States Circuit Court. The plaintiff is awarded \$1765.66. <i>Ibid.</i>
THU. DEC. 7	SPRINGFIELD. Moore <i>v.</i> Nelson and Ashworth, an ejectment case begun in the United States Circuit Court on Dec. 12, 1842, is continued. Logan and Lincoln appear for the plaintiff and Baker and Bledsoe for the defendants. <i>Ibid.</i>
FRI. DEC. 8	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln is present at the taking of the depositions of Ninian W. Edwards and Erastus Wright, to be used in the case of Robert S. Todd <i>v.</i> Nathaniel A. Ware. <i>Hertz, I</i> [2d vol.], 542-3.
SAT. DEC. 9	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln draws up the affidavit and exhibit in Robert S. Todd <i>v.</i> Nathaniel A. Ware, a chancery suit. Upon this affidavit and exhibit, in connection with the pleadings, exhibits and depositions herein, Logan & Lincoln for the complainant move the court to rule the defendant to file, or produce the notes in the pleadings mentioned, in court, instanter. <i>See entry for April 1, 1844. Ibid.</i>

SUN. DEC. 10	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln probably spends today conferring with Whig leaders in preparation for the State Convention to be held Monday and Tuesday. Delegations arrive today from Cook, Winnebago, Jo Daviess, Gallatin, White, Edwards and Vermilion counties. <i>Missouri Republican</i> , Dec. 13.
MON. DEC. 11	SPRINGFIELD. The Whig State Convention meets at noon in the State House. Archibald Williams of Quincy, is elected president. Lincoln is chosen as one of nine presidential electors. In the evening the Hall of Representatives is packed to hear speeches by Brown of Vermilion, Smith of Cook, Powers of McLean, Bond of Clinton, Linder of Coles and Baker of Sangamon. <i>Alton Telegraph</i> Dec. 16.
TUE. DEC. 12	SPRINGFIELD. The Whig Convention continues all day. In the evening addresses are made by Lincoln, Dixon and Browning. <i>Ibid.</i>
WED. DEC. 13	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Davenport <i>et al.</i> v. People, for the use of the Commissioners of Rock Island County, is dismissed by the appellants as per agreement of the parties. Logan and Lincoln appear for the appellants. <i>Record</i> .
THU. DEC. 14	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Hall v. Perkins, an appeal from Tazewell, is argued before the court by Baker and Bledsoe for the appellant, Leonard and Brayman for the appellee and the cause submitted. Lincoln's name is on the record as one of the counsel so it is probable he was present during the trial. <i>Record</i> . (On Feb. 10, 1844, judgment was reversed and the cause remanded.) 5 <i>Ill.</i> 548.
FRI. DEC. 15	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. In Metz <i>et al.</i> v. Wolff <i>et al.</i> , an appeal from Macon County, the defendants are ruled to join in error by the 18th. <i>See entry for Jan. 25</i> . The same ruling is made in Bruce v. Truett an appeal from Jo Daviess County. <i>Record</i> .
SAT. DEC. 16	

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MON. DEC. 18	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. On Brayman's motion the cases of Metz <i>et al. v.</i> Wolff <i>et al.</i> , and Bruce <i>v.</i> Truett, are reversed by the Supreme Court for failure of the defendants to join in error as ordered on the 15th. <i>Record.</i> Lincoln draws up the affidavit and praecipe in David Spear <i>v.</i> William Lowry. Spear begins action to recover possession of one gray horse, three cows and three calves. <i>Photo.</i>
TUE. DEC. 19	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Lincoln files a motion to dismiss Robinson <i>v.</i> Chesseldine <i>et al.</i> , an appeal from Brown County, because there was no final decree in the lower court. On motion of Logan, and by consent, the order of reversal given yesterday in Bruce <i>v.</i> Truett is set aside and errors joined. <i>Record.</i>
WED. DEC. 20	
THU. DEC. 21	
FRI. DEC. 22	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Favor <i>et al. v.</i> Marlett, an appeal from Kane County, involving the competency of witnesses, is continued by consent. Lincoln and Dickey represent the plaintiffs and Peters the defendant. <i>Ibid.</i>
SAT. DEC. 23	

SUN. DEC. 24	
MON. DEC. 25	
TUE. DEC. 26	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. On motion of the plaintiff, the defendant is ruled to join in error by tomorrow in <i>Blue v. Allen et al.</i> , appealed from Livingston County. Logan and Lincoln appear for the plaintiff in error. <i>Record</i> .
WED. DEC. 27	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Logan and Lincoln win <i>Blue v. Allen et al.</i> , when the court reverses the judgment for want of joinder in error. Logan enters the appearance of the defendant in <i>Lockridge v. Foster</i> a chancery case appealed from Sangamon. <i>Ibid</i> .
THU. DEC. 28	
FRI. DEC. 29	[The Whigs of Springfield have given up the plan of electing Lincoln Governor and are now urging Hardin to become the Whig candidate. <i>G. T. M. Davis to J. J. Hardin, Springfield, Dec. 29, Hardin MSS.</i>]
SAT. DEC. 30	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Logan and Lincoln join in error for the defendant in <i>Lockridge v. Foster</i> . <i>Record</i> .

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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes Henry E. Dummer: "In reply to yours of the 14th ult. I say that if you can get a clean title to the 40 acres of land, together with costs, and a reasonable fee to yourself, I reckon you had better do it. Have the deed made to me." *Tracy*, 11.

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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. McRoberts, attorney for the appellant, in *McDonald v. Fithian et al.*, moves that the deposition of J. H. Murphy taken in the cause pending in the Circuit Court of Vermilion between one Cunningham and said defendant be filed and read; said deposition having been read in the trial of this cause in the circuit court. This motion is resisted by Lincoln and Logan for the appellees. *Record*.

THU.
JAN.
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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. The trial of *McDonald v. Fithian et al.*, continues. McRoberts moves for leave to file the affidavit of J. J. Brown in support of his motion, made yesterday, and to file the deposition of John H. Murphy. The case is set for argument tomorrow. *Ibid*.

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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Bledsoe files an agreement and on his motion it is made a part of the record in *Robinson v. Chesseldine et al.* See entry for Dec. 19. *Ibid*.

SUN. JAN. 7	
MON. JAN. 8	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. McRoberts, attorney for the appellant, begins the argument in McDonald <i>v.</i> Fithian <i>et al.</i> Lincoln, Logan and Baker appear for the appellees. <i>Record.</i>
TUE. JAN. 9	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. The argument in McDonald <i>v.</i> Fithian <i>et al.</i> , is continued by McRoberts for the appellant and by Lincoln and Baker for the appellees. <i>Ibid.</i>
WED. JAN. 10	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. J. J. Brown, for the appellant, continues the argument in McDonald <i>v.</i> Fithian <i>et al.</i> <i>Ibid.</i>
THU. JAN. 11	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. J. J. Brown concludes his argument in McDonald <i>v.</i> Fithian <i>et al.</i> , and the cause is submitted to the court. (On Feb. 11, the decree of the lower court is affirmed.) 6 <i>Ill.</i> 269. <i>Ibid.</i>
FRI. JAN. 12	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln makes affidavit that Nathaniel Hay is about to commence a suit in chancery in the Sangamon Circuit Court against Nicholas Bryan, Sr., and that the latter does not reside in Illinois. <i>Madigan Catalog</i> , No. 60.
SAT. JAN. 13	

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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln and the Reverend Charles Dresser make a contract for the transfer to Lincoln of the property now known as the "Lincoln Home." Lincoln agrees to pay Mr. Dresser \$1200.00 in cash and to convey a lot in the business section which he and S. T. Logan acquired two years ago. *Record*.

WED.
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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. The reargument of England *v.* Clark, an action of assumpsit from Menard County, ordered by the court on Mar. 3, 1843 is begun by Urquhart for the plaintiff in error. *Record*.

FRI.
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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. The argument begun yesterday in England *v.* Clark is continued by Edwards and Bledsoe for the defendant and concluded by Lincoln for the plaintiff. (On Feb. 8, the judgment of the lower court is affirmed.) *Record*; 5 *Ill.* 486.

SAT.
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SUN. JAN. 21	
MON. JAN. 22	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Robinson <i>v.</i> Cheseldine <i>et al.</i> , is argued by Bledsoe for the appellant and by Lincoln for the appellee and the case is submitted. (Judgment of lower court is affirmed on Jan. 30, 5 <i>Ill.</i> 332) Pentacost <i>et al. v.</i> McGahee, which first came before the court on February 7, 1843, is argued by Baker and Bledsoe for the appellant and Lincoln for the appellee and the case submitted. (It is dismissed on Jan. 24.) <i>Record.</i>
TUE. JAN. 23	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Spear <i>v.</i> Campbell, a bill in chancery to set aside an alleged fraudulent conveyance, appealed from Sangamon County, is argued by Robbins for the plaintiff and Logan and Lincoln for the defendant. <i>Ibid.</i> (On Feb. 6, the court reverses the judgment and the cause is remanded at the cost of the plaintiff.) 5 <i>Ill.</i> 424.
WED. JAN. 24	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln draws up the affidavit of Henry Dresser, a local contractor. Dresser swears he has done \$60.00 worth of carpenter work for Dorthea Grant and that she has departed from the State, and that he believes John S. Vredenburgh and Thomas Moffett are separately indebted to said Dorthea Grant. <i>Photo.</i>
THU. JAN. 25	[Stephen T. Logan moves the Supreme Court that John T. Stuart be enrolled as an attorney and counsellor at law, and files an affidavit setting forth that Stuart had been licensed in the year 1828 and that the license had been lost. The motion is at once allowed.]
FRI. JAN. 26	
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TUE. JAN. 30	
WED. JAN. 31	
THU. FEB. 1	
FRI. FEB. 2	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Lockridge <i>v.</i> Foster and Lazell <i>v.</i> Francis are argued by Robbins for the plaintiffs and Lincoln for the defendants. <i>Record.</i> (Logan and Lincoln win Lockridge <i>v.</i> Foster when the court affirms the judgment of the lower court, on Feb. 10.) 5 <i>Ill.</i> 569.
SAT. FEB. 3	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Wells Colton and Baker for the plaintiffs and Lincoln for defendant, argue the case of David Davis, Administrator <i>v.</i> Harkness before the Supreme Court. The case is submitted. <i>Record.</i>

SUN. FEB. 4	
MON. FEB. 5	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln makes a payment of \$750.00 under the contract of Jan. 16, with the Reverend Charles Dresser. The sum is to draw twelve per cent interest until Dresser fulfills or offers to fulfill the contract. <i>Record</i> .
TUE. FEB. 6	SPRINGFIELD. The Supreme Court affirms the judgment of the justice of peace court in Lazell <i>v.</i> Francis, which was argued by Robbins for the appellant and Lincoln for the appellee on Feb. 2. <i>Record</i> .
WED. FEB. 7	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Craig <i>et al. v.</i> Helm <i>et al.</i> , a case from Madison County, is argued before the court by Strong for the plaintiffs. Johnston <i>v.</i> Weedman, an action of trover from DeWitt County is submitted on briefs and abstracts, by Colton for the plaintiff and Lincoln for the defendant. Lincoln wins the case when two days later the judgment of the lower court is affirmed. <i>Record</i> ; 5 <i>Ill.</i> 495.
THU. FEB. 8	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. The argument begun yesterday in Craig <i>et al. v.</i> Helm <i>et al.</i> , is continued by Edwards, Stuart and Martin for the defendants and concluded by Lincoln for the plaintiffs. <i>Record</i> .
FRI. FEB. 9	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Robbins, attorney for the plaintiff in Lazell <i>v.</i> Francis argues a motion to have the cause remanded to the lower court. The judgment of the justice of peace court had been affirmed on Feb. 6. Lincoln represents the defendant. <i>Ibid</i> .
SAT. FEB. 10	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Logan resists the motion made yesterday in Lazell <i>v.</i> Francis. The court refuses to remand the case. The court overrules Logan's motion to amend the judgment in relation to costs in Spear <i>v.</i> Campbell. McDonald <i>v.</i> Fithian <i>et al.</i> , and Davis, Admr. <i>v.</i> Harkness are taken under advisement. At a later date the decree of the lower court is affirmed in these two cases. <i>Record</i> ; 6 <i>Ill.</i> 173-269.

SUN. FEB. 11	
MON. FEB. 12	[Dr. A. G. Henry writes to John J. Hardin in Washington: "We have had several Whig meetings in Springfield lately and they seem to have carried enthusiasm to its highest pitch. . . . At these 'Clay Clubs' we sing old songs for 'gallant Harry' and this with eloquent speaking from Logan, Lincoln and Baker you may well imagine the effect . . ." Springfield, Ill., Feb. 12, 1844. <i>Hardin MSS.</i>]
TUE. FEB. 13	["We have a meeting once or twice a week and we intend to keep them up till November. I know that if you were in Morgan (County) all would go well but I fear that the people of Morgan have lost what they are not able to replace. I know how this goes if Baker or Lincoln is missing at our meetings. It seems that something is lost."] <i>Ibid.</i>
WED. FEB. 14	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes Richard S. Thomas of Virginia, Illinois saying he can find only one copy of the President's message in town and that in the State Library. "If alive and well, I am sure to be with you on the 22nd. I will meet the <i>trio</i> of mighty adversaries you mention, in the best manner I can." <i>Tracy</i> , 11-12.
THU. FEB. 15	
FRI. FEB. 16	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes Simeon Ryder about his chancery suit against Daniel Stringer and the heirs of Edward Mitchell, deceased. On November 30, 1843, Logan and Lincoln obtained a decree against Stringer in favor of Ryder for the former's debt of \$300.00, with interest at 7 per cent from January 1, 1836. <i>Angle</i> , 17-18.
SAT. FEB. 17	[Illustrative of the feeling between the Whigs and Democrats in Springfield are these lines from the <i>Register</i> : "Lincoln, another member of the Junto . . . is our jester and mountebank . . . We have had him appointed a candidate for Clay elector. This we hope will buy him off from being a candidate for Congress . . . We intend to send Lincoln to Linder's county (Coles Co.) to make speeches. <i>Feb.</i> 11.]

SUN. FEB. 18	[Lincoln is a long-legged varmint," continues the <i>Register</i> , "and great at jumping . . . out of the windows of the State House . . . he can make a speech which is all length and height like himself, and no breadth or thickness." <i>Feb. 16.</i>]
MON. FEB. 19	
TUE. FEB. 20	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln buys a \$100.00 bond of the city of Springfield to finance the payment of the subscription to the State House. <i>Bond Record Book.</i>
WED. FEB. 21	SPRINGFIELD. "Baker, Lincoln, Logan and Stuart are making speeches every night at some one of the precincts in our County to crowded houses; we confidently expect to give 1000 majority in Sangamon County for Clay. . . . Logan and Lincoln address a meeting at Virginia tomorrow. . . ." <i>William Butler to Hardin, Hardin MSS.</i>
THU. FEB. 22	VIRGINIA. A Whig meeting is held in the court house in the afternoon. Lincoln's speech in reply to Judge Pearson, in which he deals mainly with the currency and the bank, is received with repeated applause. Lincoln probably attends another meeting of the Whigs in the evening. <i>Journal, Mar. 28.</i>
FRI. FEB. 23	VIRGINIA. "On the morning of the 23rd, addresses were received from Mr. Killpatrick and Mr. Lincoln. They portrayed the absurdities of locoism, and the soundness of Whig principles." <i>Ibid.</i>
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SUGAR CREEK MEETING HOUSE, SANGAMON COUNTY. A Whig rally is held at early candle lighting. In his speech on the tariff, Lincoln attempts to convince the farmers that a high tariff makes for cheaper goods. Speeches are made by Dr. A. G. Henry, Edward D. Baker and Dr. F. A. McNeil. *Register*, Mar. 15. (9)

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SPRINGFIELD. The flag is raised over the Whig Cabin. At night there is a great assemblage of Whigs at the Cabin, to celebrate the recent Whig victory in Maryland. Dr. McNeil, Lincoln and E. D. Baker speak. The Whig choir sings patriotic songs. *Journal*, Mar. 7.

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ROCHESTER? "There will be a Whig meeting on next Saturday night, 9th. at Rochester. It is expected that Lincoln and other speakers will be there." *Journal, Mar. 7.*

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JACKSONVILLE. Lincoln arrives in Jacksonville in the evening. *Register*, Mar. 22.

THU.
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JACKSONVILLE. In the Circuit Court the trial of Eliza S. Cabot *v.* Francis Regnier, a slander suit, which has come on a change of venue from Menard County, is begun. Lincoln is one of the attorneys for the plaintiff as shown in his receipt for his fee. *Record; Angle*, 21.

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JACKSONVILLE. Cabot *v.* Regnier is tried before a jury. The jury finds for the plaintiff and fixes damages at \$1600.00. *Record*.

SAT.
MAR.
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JACKSONVILLE. Lincoln and Baker debate the issues of the campaign with Calhoun and Cavarly during the last evenings of this week. *Simeon Francis to J. J. Hardin, Springfield, Mar. 17. Hardin MSS.*

SUN. MAR. 17	
MON. MAR. 18	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln have two cases called on the opening day of the Sangamon Circuit Court. W. H. Herndon serves on the grand jury at this term. A series of political debates between Lincoln and Calhoun, extending into next week, is begun in the evening. Lincoln makes a strong defense of the cheapness of articles protected by the tariff. <i>Record; Register, Mar. 22.</i>
TUE. MAR. 19	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln have nine cases in court. Ball <i>v.</i> Field is tried before a jury; Webb <i>v.</i> Jacobs they win by default. In Irwin <i>v.</i> Wilbourn, the justice of peace is ruled to send up the papers. Three cases are continued and one is dismissed. By agreement Beidler <i>v.</i> Woodruff is set for hearing on Thursday. They win Thayer & Co. <i>v.</i> Canfield, an assumpsit suit. They appear for the plaintiff in all except the last two cases. <i>Record.</i>
WED. MAR. 20	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln represent the complainant, Erastus Wright, School Commissioner, and obtain judgments totaling \$4597.54 in ten cases. They win Simpson <i>v.</i> Stockton, an assumpsit suit, when the defendant confesses his indebtedness. Lincoln files the defendants' plea in Lesure & Bliss <i>v.</i> County of Menard. Eight other cases are called, two continued and two dismissed. <i>Ibid.</i>
THU. MAR. 21	SPRINGFIELD. Seventeen cases are called for Logan & Lincoln. In two, tried by the court, the court takes time to consider. They win two jury cases Ball <i>v.</i> Field and Dresser <i>v.</i> Grant. In Beidler <i>v.</i> Woodruff, the jury is dismissed and case continued. Reports are approved in two chancery cases and guardians appointed in three others. They win two cases by default, have two dismissed and the defendant ruled to answer on Friday in three others. <i>Ibid.</i>
FRI. MAR. 22	SPRINGFIELD. Klein <i>v.</i> Irwin <i>et al.</i> , a petition for partition of land is granted by the court. Jackson <i>v.</i> Applegate is dismissed. Logan and Lincoln appear for complainant in these cases and for the plaintiffs in Vaughn, Sandford & Co. <i>v.</i> Wetherbee <i>et al.</i> , an injunction suit. They appear for the defendants in Lockridge <i>v.</i> School Commissioners and win the case. <i>Ibid.</i> (10)
SAT. MAR. 23	SPRINGFIELD. The court orders the complainant's exceptions sustained in Vaughn, Sandford & Co. <i>v.</i> Wetherbee <i>et al.</i> Logan and Lincoln win an appeal case, a chancery and an assumpsit suit. They enter their demurrer and the defendants are given leave to amend their plea in Latham <i>v.</i> West and Lamb. They appear for the plaintiff in Jayne <i>v.</i> Reed, in which the defendant files his plea. <i>Ibid.</i>

SUN. MAR. 24	
MON. MAR. 25	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln and Calhoun continue their political debates. A good crowd attends each meeting and the <i>Journal</i> gives Calhoun "due praise for making the most of a bad cause. The efforts of Mr. Lincoln were distinguished for ability, and in all candor we must say, that we did not discover a single position raised by Mr. Calhoun that he did not entirely demolish." <i>Journal</i> , Mar. 28.
TUE. MAR. 26	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln appear for the plaintiff in five cases. They lose Irwin <i>v.</i> Wilbourn, when the court affirms the decision of the lower court. Their petition for partition of land is granted in Carpenter <i>v.</i> Trotter <i>et al.</i> The defendant in Harrison and Sinnard <i>v.</i> Alexander renders full satisfaction of judgment against him. The defendants file their answer in Hay <i>v.</i> Bryan <i>et al.</i> ; Schemerhorn & March <i>v.</i> Taylor is dismissed. <i>Record</i> .
WED. MAR. 27	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln has a busy day in the circuit court. In the evening he listens to a speech of John Calhoun, which the <i>Register</i> characterizes as " <i>luminous, convincing, and unanswerable.</i> " Lincoln answers Calhoun either this evening or on tomorrow evening. <i>Register</i> , Mar. 29.
THU. MAR. 28	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln files his plea in Lesure and Bliss <i>v.</i> County of Menard. A jury is called in People <i>v.</i> Joseph Klein and Louisa Hoey. The jury fails to agree and is discharged. Logan and Lincoln appear for the defendants in this case and in Taylor <i>v.</i> Taylor <i>et al.</i> , an assumpsit suit. Blankenship <i>v.</i> Center is heard by the court. They appear for the plaintiff in this case and in People <i>v.</i> Sheppard <i>et al.</i> , which is continued on their motion. <i>Record</i> .
FRI. MAR. 29	SPRINGFIELD. Three cases of Logan and Lincoln are continued and two are dismissed. They file the complainants replication in Campbell and Dabney <i>v.</i> Spear & Spear. The commissioners report in Carpenter <i>v.</i> Trotter <i>et al.</i> , is approved. They represent the complainant in this case. <i>Ibid</i> .
SAT. MAR. 30	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln have thirteen cases called. Three they argue before the court and win, five are continued, one is dismissed and in three others they enter motions that the defendant be ruled to plead. The court orders the parties in Carpenter <i>v.</i> Trotter <i>et al.</i> , to pay costs in proportion to their respective interest in the premises. Logan and Lincoln represent the complainant. <i>Ibid</i> .

SUN. MAR. 31	
MON. APR. 1	SPRINGFIELD. The court orders the complainant's bill dismissed in Todd <i>v.</i> Ware, and the defendant is to have costs expended. In Stephen T. Logan <i>v.</i> Carter, Logan gets judgment for \$373.50. If the judgment is not satisfied in sixty days the Master-in-Chancery is ordered to sell the property. Robert Irwin <i>v.</i> Joshua F. Speed <i>et al.</i> , a partition suit, in which Logan and Lincoln appear for the complainant, is decided in their favor. <i>Record.</i>
TUE. APR. 2	[The claim of Logan and Lincoln for \$12.50 against the estate of Barton Moore, for drawing up a petition to sell real estate and writing a deed, is paid by Eli C. Blankenship. <i>Probate Court Files.</i>]
WED. APR. 3	TREMONT. The Tazewell Circuit Court convenes. David Davis, a Bloomington attorney who travelled the Eighth Circuit in the spring of 1844 wrote: "Politics rage now hereabouts . . . The first day of every court is occupied with political speaking, usually by an Elector on each side of politics, each person generally taking some three or four hours . . . Lincoln is a Whig elector. Lincoln is the best stump speaker in the State." <i>Davis MSS.</i>
THU. APR. 4	TREMONT. Cromwell & McNaughton <i>v.</i> Hewitt & Davenport is continued with <i>alias</i> summons against Davenport to the county of Woodford. Leonard appears for the plaintiff and Lincoln for the defendant. The defendants default in May <i>v.</i> Greene & Loose and the court declares the patent issued to the defendants null and void. Logan and Lincoln appear for the plaintiff. <i>Record.</i>
FRI. APR. 5	TREMONT.
SAT. APR. 6	TREMONT AND PEORIA. Lincoln leaves the circuit court in the afternoon, arriving in Peoria at sundown. Notice is given of his speech to the Clay Club at the court house at seven-thirty o'clock. In spite of a severe rain the room is half filled to hear his two hour address on the principles of the Whig party. <i>Peoria Register, April 19.</i>

SUN. APR. 7	
MON. APR. 8	[Lincoln, Baker and Calhoun each made two speeches in Tazewell County before the trio moved on to the Woodford Circuit Court at Hanover. <i>Register, April 19.</i>]
TUE. APR. 9	
WED. APR. 10	
THU. APR. 11	HANOVER. The Woodford Circuit Court opens a two day term. Arnold & Blair <i>v.</i> Richardson is dismissed by agreement at the cost of Arnold. A jury finds for the defendant in Robinson <i>v.</i> Cassel. Lincoln appears for the plaintiff in the first case and the defendant in the second. In Boggs <i>v.</i> Overton, a trespass case, Davis & Colton appear for the plaintiff and Lincoln for the defendant. <i>Record.</i>
FRI. APR. 12	HANOVER. Lincoln wins the trespass case of Boggs <i>v.</i> Overton when the jury finds for the defendant. He appears for the defendants in Pillsbury & Alexander <i>v.</i> Baker and Sunderland. The case is continued at the cost of the defendants. <i>Ibid.</i>
SAT. APR. 13	PEORIA. In a broadside issued in Peoria, April 9, the Democrats announce that John Calhoun is sorry that he was not present to reply to Lincoln's speech on April 6. Lincoln on receiving a copy of the broadside resolves to reply to Calhoun's speech this evening at the court house. Learning that Lincoln is present Calhoun speaks until eleven-thirty. The Whigs call for Lincoln and he replies to Calhoun. <i>Peoria Register, April 19.</i>

SUN. APR. 14	EN ROUTE TO BLOOMINGTON?
MON. APR. 15	[The McLean County Circuit Court opens a three day term.]
TUE. APR. 16	
WED. APR. 17	
THU. APR. 18	
FRI. APR. 19	
SAT. APR. 20	

SUN. APR. 21	
MON. APR. 22	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln signs Logan & Lincoln, in the Judgment Docket, indicating the judgment of \$341.00 in Lane & Webb v. Edwards, is paid in full. [“Lincoln and Calhoun have returned from Tazewell. Our people are in the best spirits there. So far as we learnt, Lincoln never left Calhoun on any one occasion, that he did not make him hang down his under lip.” <i>S. Francis to J. J. Hardin, Hardin MSS.</i>] [The Livingston Court holds a one day session.]
TUE. APR. 23	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln and Logan, with their wives joining in the deed, convey a lot on Adams Street between Fourth and Fifth streets, to Charles Dresser for the consideration of \$300. This is in part payment of Lincoln’s home at Eighth and Jackson streets. <i>Lincoln Centennial Association Papers</i> , 1925, 34.
WED. APR. 24	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes Rowland, Smith & Company concerning collections from Francis, Allen & Stone. Refusing to handle their real estate business, he recommends “Isaac S. Britton, a trustworthy man, & one whom the Lord made on purpose for such business.” <i>Angle</i> , 18-19.
THU. APR. 25	CLINTON. Judge Treat opens a two day session of the DeWitt Circuit Court. Lincoln’s suit to collect on a note for \$200 given him in defending Spencer Turner for murder in 1840, is continued by consent. On Lincoln’s motion, McDowall v. Duncan <i>et al.</i> , is continued with leave to the commissioners to execute the order made on September 29, 1843. <i>Record</i> .
FRI. APR. 26	
SAT. APR. 27	

SUN. APR. 28	SPRINGFIELD. On the back of a bill for divorce, Lincoln pens a note to H. M. Vandever, clerk of the Christian County Circuit Court. The complainant, Andrew Jackson Wilson, charges Susan Wilson, his wife with adultery; a man named Taylor being named as co-respondent. Lincoln asks that Taylor's christian name be filled in, the bill filed and subpoena issued. <i>Angle</i> , 19-20.
MON. APR. 29	[The Champaign Circuit Court convenes for a two day term at Urbana.]
TUE. APR. 30	URBANA. Lincoln appears for the complainant and Fell for the defendant in <i>State Bank v. Mitchell et al.</i> After argument, it is ordered that the report and sale of property be not approved. The commissioners are ordered to pay back to William P. Withers the purchase money and to proceed to execute decree heretofore made. Withers presents his bill of exceptions, and the case is continued. <i>Record</i> .
WED. MAY 1	[Henry Clay is today nominated by acclamation for President by the Whig National Convention in Baltimore.]
THU. MAY 2	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln, representing the plaintiff in <i>Barrett v. Kilbourne</i> file with the clerk of the United States Circuit Court, a mortgage on 440 acres of land in Christian County to secure the payment of \$500.00. They ask for a summons to the defendant returnable at the June term of court. <i>Record</i> . [The Piatt Circuit Court convenes at Monticello.]
FRI. MAY 3	SPRINGFIELD. Reverend Charles Dresser gives Lincoln a deed to the residence which the latter has purchased from him. Lincoln and S. T. Logan file a deed conveying "the east half of the west half of lot six in block fourteen," in Springfield to Mr. Dresser. <i>Record</i> .
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TREMONT. The Whigs of the Seventh Congressional District hold a convention and nominate E. D. Baker for Congress. The eight delegates from Sangamon are N. W. Edwards, William Harvey, Eddin Lewis, Z. A. Enos, J. M. Maxcy, J. H. Matheny, N. A. Garland and B. A. Watson. The newspaper reports do not mention whether Lincoln was present or not. *Journal*, May 23. [The Macon Circuit Court is in session today and tomorrow.]

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[The Moultrie Circuit Court convenes at Sullivan.]

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SUN. MAY 12	
MON. MAY 13	[The Shelby Circuit Court convenes for a four day term at Shelbyville.]
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SUN. MAY 19	
MON. MAY 20	[The Coles County Circuit Court convenes.]
TUE. MAY 21	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes to Hardin to send some good documents to Thomas Campbell of Spring Creek. "Robert W. Canfield says he would like to have a document or two from you. The Locos here are in considerable trouble about Van Buren's letter on Texas. . . ." Van Buren's opposition to re-annexation was not pleasing to the majority of the democrats in Springfield. <i>Works, I, 270.</i>
WED. MAY 22	SPRINGFIELD. The citizens of Sangamon County interested in the re-annexation of Texas meet in the evening at the State House to consider the letters of Clay, Van Buren and Benton on the subject. Lincoln makes the first speech, in which he agrees with these men, that annexation upon Pres. Tyler's plan is inexpedient. W. L. D. Ewing introduces resolutions favorable to the President's plan. <i>Journal, June 6.</i>
THU. MAY 23	
FRI. MAY 24	SPRINGFIELD? The meeting on the annexation of Texas, adjourned from Wednesday evening, is held at the State House. Lincoln's name does not appear in the proceedings, but his ideas as set forth on Wednesday evening prevail. <i>Journal, June 6. Missouri [St. Louis] Republican, May 30.</i> The original call for the convention, signed by 115 local democrats, is in the Illinois State Historical Library.
SAT. MAY 25	

SUN. MAY 26	
MON. MAY 27	PEORIA. Lincoln is one of the attorneys in Aquilla Wren <i>v.</i> Clarissa Wren in the Peoria Circuit Court. A divorce was granted on Mar. 16 whereupon the defendant entered a motion for a new trial. Lincoln was not connected with the case before today. He draws up the reasons and affidavits in support of the motion for a new trial. <i>Record</i> . [The Christian Circuit Court convenes for a two day term.]
TUE. MAY 28	PEORIA. It appears from the affidavits filed in Wren <i>v.</i> Wren that Lincoln is in Peoria until some time Friday. <i>Record</i> .
WED. MAY 29	PEORIA.
THU. MAY 30	PEORIA. Lincoln receives a note for \$150. from Clarissa Wren as the fee of Logan & Lincoln in the case of Wren <i>v.</i> Wren. He receipts on the back of the note a payment of \$20. received today. <i>Ernest E. East to compiler, Aug. 8, 1939.</i> [The Logan Circuit Court convenes today.]
FRI. MAY 31	PEORIA. Lincoln draws up and files the agreement of the attorneys in Wren <i>v.</i> Wren, that in case a new trial is granted, the case "shall stand over until Monday the 17th day of June next, when both parties or either of them may appear, for the purpose of presenting the question of alimony . . ." <i>Record</i> .
SAT. JUNE 1	[Lincoln does not vote in the election of a constable in Springfield. John M. Cabiness, a Whig, is elected.]

SUN. JUNE 2	
MON. JUNE 3	PETERSBURG. The Menard Circuit Court opens a three day term. The defendant defaults in Tibbs <i>v.</i> Miller, the court orders him to pay \$114.65 debt and damages. Logan and Lincoln appear for the plaintiff and Harris for the defendant. <i>Record</i> . Court adjourns in the afternoon and Calhoun and Baker debate the political issues. Lincoln speaks on the tariff in the evening. <i>Journal, June 13.</i>
TUE. JUNE 4	PETERSBURG. Miller <i>v.</i> Miller, a divorce suit is continued. In the People, on the complaint of Jane Davidson <i>v.</i> Bennett, the jury decides the defendant is the father of the illegitimate child. Logan and Lincoln appear for the plaintiff in the first and defendant in the last case. Lincoln loses Ritter & Ritter <i>v.</i> Wagoner when the court awards the plaintiff \$1453.49. Wagoner <i>v.</i> Lukins, is opened by Baker, Matheny & Lincoln for complainant. <i>Record</i> .
WED. JUNE 5	PETERSBURG. Logan and Lincoln appear for the complainant in Taylor <i>v.</i> Wright. The court decrees that the complainant recover \$722.48, foreclosure of the mortgage and sale of property. The judgment of the lower court is reversed in Hornbuckel <i>v.</i> Bone. Harris appears for the appellant and Lincoln for the appellee. <i>Ibid.</i>
THU. JUNE 6	[The Mason Circuit Court convenes for a two day term at Bath.]
FRI. JUNE 7	SPRINGFIELD. The defendant defaults in Barrett <i>v.</i> Kilbourne in the United States Circuit Court. The court orders the 440 acres of land in Christian County sold to pay the debt of \$500.00 and damages and costs of \$140.58. Logan and Lincoln appear for the plaintiff. They get judgments for \$5242.10 and \$1051.28 in two cases of Fassett <i>et al.</i> <i>v.</i> Blackwell. <i>Ibid.</i> (11)
SAT. JUNE 8	

SUN. JUNE 9	
MON. JUNE 10	[In the United States Circuit Court, Sturtevant <i>v.</i> City of Alton, a case involving the power of a corporation, is tried during the June term which begins today. William L. Lincoln, an Alton attorney, represents the plaintiff and Logan, Lincoln and Bailey, the defendant. 3 <i>McLean</i> , 393.]
TUE. JUNE 11	
WED. JUNE 12	SPRINGFIELD. A public meeting is held, with David J. Baker as chairman. Lincoln explains that the object of the meeting is to discuss fairly the connection of the Whig party with the recent Philadelphia riots. His four resolutions are adopted. E. D. Baker makes the address. <i>Journal</i> , June 20. Logan and Lincoln win Moore <i>v.</i> Nelson & Ashworth in the U. S. Circuit Court when the jury awards the plaintiff the 160 acres in question. <i>Record</i> .
THU. JUNE 13	
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SUN. JUNE 16	
MON. JUNE 17	PEORIA. Wren <i>v.</i> Wren comes up for a hearing in the circuit court, upon the bill, answer, replication and verdict of the jury. <i>See May 27.</i> The court grants the divorce and continues the application of the defendant for alimony. <i>Record.</i>
TUE. JUNE 18	PEORIA. [The Sangamon, Scott, Brown, Schuyler and Mason County delegations to the Whig Convention leave Beardstown on the steamer <i>Lebanon</i> for an all night ride to Peoria. <i>Alton Telegraph and Democratic Review, June 29.</i>]
WED. JUNE 19	PEORIA. A great Whig meeting is held in Peoria—5,000 to 8,000 being the estimated attendance. Archibald Williams of Quincy is chosen president of the meeting. Speeches are made by Lincoln, Baker, Morrison, Anderson, Kilpatrick, Sweet, Bond and Dr. McDowell and Uriel Wright of St. Louis. Lincoln is chairman of the committee of nine on resolutions. <i>Journal, June 27; Quincy Whig, June 26.</i>
THU. JUNE 20	[The Steamer <i>Lebanon</i> left Peoria on the night of the 19th and arrived at Beardstown the following morning. It is probable the Sangamon delegation returned on it. <i>Ibid.</i>]
FRI. JUNE 21	
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TUE. JUNE 25	CHICAGO? (12)
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FRI. JULY 5	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln files the original bill in the Sangamon Circuit Court in <i>Gilman et al. v. Hamilton et al.</i> , a case involving a trust for the benefit of Illinois College. This case was not completed until the Supreme Court gave its decision in Feb. 1855. Lincoln appears for <i>Hamilton et al.</i> , in both courts. <i>Record</i> .
SAT. JULY 6	

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THU. JULY 11	[A meeting is held at the Springfield Clay Club Room to make arrangements to go to the Vandalia Convention. <i>Journal, July 11.</i>]
FRI. JULY 12	
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SUN. JULY 14	
MON. JULY 15	SPRINGFIELD—HILLSBORO. Led by a band, the delegation to the Mass Convention of Whigs at Vandalia, set out on the Hillsboro road. They are escorted into Hillsboro in the evening by the local band. The evening is given over to a rally at the Court House. <i>Journal, July 25.</i>
TUE. JULY 16	HILLSBORO—VANDALIA. The delegation moves on to Vandalia, arriving in the afternoon. One who saw them en route was stirred to remark: "Old Sangamon, also, sent on a noble corps of choice spirits who, accompanied by an unsurpassable glee club, called forth thundering cheers as they passed." The evening is one of joy, mirth and song—and 26 rounds of the cannon. <i>Journal, July 25, Aug. 8.</i>
WED. JULY 17	VANDALIA. The Marion delegation arrives with a banner, one side of which read "U. S. Bank Bill—J. J. Hardin, Cashier—Abraham Lincoln, President." At the meeting at 2 P. M. on the town square, Lincoln is appointed one of a committee of five to select officers and report resolutions for Friday's Convention. Anthony Thornton is chosen President and resolutions read, then a round of speeches—from Lincoln, Linder, Bledsoe and others. <i>Ibid.</i>
THU. JULY 18	VANDALIA. At a morning meeting resolutions of thanks to Simeon Francis, Temporary Chairman yesterday, and to Thornton for the good work he is to do tomorrow, are passed. They all resolve when they get home to "put our shoulders to the wheel." The crowd increases and it is estimated 5000 men and 1000 women will be on hand tomorrow. <i>Ibid.</i>
FRI. JULY 19	VANDALIA. The procession forms at 11 A. M., and all march to the grove at the west end of town. The ladies march and help serve the barbecue. Returning to town they gather in a tent on the public square. Speeches are made by Lincoln, Thornton, Linder, Bledsoe, C. H. Constable, B. Bond, J. Gillespie and Judge Robbins. For those who care to listen another group of speakers holds forth in the evening. <i>Ibid.</i>
SAT. JULY 20	VANDALIA—HILLSBORO. Short speeches mark the departure of the Sangamon, Shelby and Macoupin delegations. When the Shelby group takes the road to the east, they are given a standard showing the downfall of Polk and the triumph of Clay—they reciprocate by giving a "Clay and Frelinghuysen" banner to the Sangamon Whigs. Lincoln addresses the crowd at the Hillsboro court house in the evening. <i>Ibid.</i>

SUN. JULY 21	HILLSBORO—SPRINGFIELD. On the arrival home of the delegation in the evening, they are met by the band and escorted through the principal streets to the "Clay Cabin" where "animating speeches" are delivered by Lincoln and Bledsoe before they are dismissed. <i>Journal</i> , July 25, Aug. 8.
MON. JULY 22	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln are both busy on the opening day of the summer term of the Sangamon Circuit Court. In <i>Vaneaton v. Vaneaton</i> , Lincoln's motion to dismiss the suit is allowed. They win a judgment in <i>Wright v. Strawbridge</i> , lose <i>Blankenship & Traylor v. Hough</i> when the court dismisses the appeal. <i>Latham v. West & Lamb</i> is revived, two cases are dismissed and seven continued. <i>Record</i> .
TUE. JULY 23	SPRINGFIELD. <i>Vaneaton v. Vaneaton</i> , dismissed yesterday is by agreement put on the docket. Logan and Lincoln file declaration, notice and affidavit of service in the ejectment case, <i>Throckmorton & Everett v. Dockum</i> . On their motion, in four cases, the defendants are ruled to answer tomorrow. In eight other cases they get judgments, four cases are continued and two dismissed. <i>Ibid</i> .
WED. JULY 24	SPRINGFIELD. In four cases the defendant defaults and judgments totaling \$2548.77 are awarded to Logan and Lincoln's clients. They lose a trespass case when the jury finds for the defendant in <i>Grubb v. Ide</i> . Welles, attorney for the complainant in <i>Ware v. Ball</i> , files his replication to the answer of Robbins, Logan and Lincoln, attorneys for the defendant. <i>Ibid</i> .
THU. JULY 25	SPRINGFIELD. Leave is granted Logan and Lincoln to amend the bill in <i>Dillon v. Lake</i> , a chancery case. The defendant defaults in <i>Thompson v. Stapelford</i> , the complainants bill is taken as confessed for \$463.73. Logan and Lincoln appear for the complainant and Welles for the defendant. <i>Sackett v. Miller & Miller</i> is continued. <i>Ibid</i> .
FRI. JULY 26	SPRINGFIELD. The plaintiff files declaration, notice and affidavit of service in <i>McConnell v. Mayberry</i> , an ejectment suit. On motion of Logan and Lincoln, the defendant is ruled to plead in twenty days. The defendants default in <i>Keedy v. Thayer et al.</i> , the court orders judgment for \$500.00 debt and \$188.16 damages to Logan & Lincoln's client. <i>Ibid</i> .
SAT. JULY 27	SPRINGFIELD. The defendant does not answer the summons in <i>Hill v. McCondy</i> , the court orders the property, described in the complainants bill, sold if the debt is not paid in thirty days. Stuart and Lincoln represent the complainant. <i>Ibid</i> .

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SPRINGFIELD. On the last day of the term, Logan and Lincoln get judgments for their clients in four chancery cases; a fifth case is continued. *Record*.

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SPRINGFIELD. A big Whig rally scheduled for this day is cancelled because of the death of John Brodie and the injury of William Conant, struck by the fall of a derrick with which they were raising a Whig Liberty Pole for the celebration. A quiet evening meeting is held on the lawn of J. A. Corneau, with talks by Hardin and Baker. *Journal*, Aug. 8.

SUN. AUG. 4	
MON. AUG. 5	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln votes for E. D. Baker for Congress, N. W. Edwards for the Illinois Senate, S. T. Logan, Job Fletcher, William D. Herndon and Joseph Smith for the House, William Harvey for Sheriff and J. M. Neale for Coroner. All are elected to office. <i>Election Returns.</i>
TUE. AUG. 6	
WED. AUG. 7	SPRINGFIELD. At the meeting of the Clay Club in the evening, Lincoln introduces five resolutions expressing the grief of the Club over the death of John Brodie who was killed last Saturday. On motion of Dr. A. G. Henry, a committee of five is appointed to inquire into the cause of the accident. <i>Journal, Aug. 8.</i>
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FRI. AUG. 23	[The Whig Liberty Pole, 214 feet 6 inches high, the erection of which caused the tragedy on August 3, is erected today. <i>Journal</i> , Aug. 29.]
SAT. AUG. 24	SPRINGFIELD? The flag raising ceremony at the Liberty Pole is attended by a large crowd of Whigs. Speeches are made by Richard Yates, William I. Ferguson, J. C. Doremus and Dr. F. A. McNeil. <i>Ibid.</i>

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WED. SEPT. 4	[The Tazewell County Circuit Court convenes at Tremont.]
THU. SEPT. 5	TREMONT. In Cromwell & McNaughton <i>v.</i> Hewitt & Davenport, the defendant Davenport enters a motion to dismiss the case against him for want of prosecution. The court sustains the motion. Leonard appears for the plaintiffs and Lincoln for the defendants. <i>Record.</i>
FRI. SEPT. 6	TREMONT.
SAT. SEPT. 7	TREMONT. Frazer <i>v.</i> Boyle, an appeal case, is heard by the court. The court takes it under advisement and the case is continued. Lincoln represents the appellant and Saltonstall the appellee. <i>Ibid.</i>

SUN. SEPT. 8	TREMONT.
MON. SEPT. 9	TREMONT.
TUE. SEPT. 10	TREMONT. Cromwell and McNaughton <i>v.</i> Baker and County of Tazewell is continued. <i>Record.</i>
WED. SEPT. 11	EN ROUTE TO METAMORA.
THU. SEPT. 12	METAMORA. The Woodford County Circuit Court opens for a two day term. Pillsbury & Alexander <i>v.</i> Baker and Sunderland, an action in debt, is dismissed by the plaintiffs. In Boggs <i>v.</i> Overton the defendant moves to quash the bill of costs. After hearing the argument, the court overrules the motion and orders that the plaintiff recover his costs and charges. Lincoln appears for the defendant in each case. <i>Record.</i>
FRI. SEPT. 13	METAMORA. In Rice <i>v.</i> Barney, a trespass case, Lincoln excepts to the special motion filed by the defendant. The exception is sustained, with leave to the defendant to file an amended motion and the case is continued. <i>Ibid.</i>
SAT. SEPT. 14	

<div>SUN. SEPT. 15</div>	
<div>MON. SEPT. 16</div>	<div>[The McLean County Circuit Court convenes for a four day term at Bloomington.]</div>
<div>TUE. SEPT. 17</div>	
<div>WED. SEPT. 18</div>	
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[The Livingston County Circuit Court holds a one day session.]

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CLINTON. The DeWitt Circuit Court opens a two day term. The case of A. Lincoln *v.* Spencer Turner and William Turner is continued. This case began on Oct. 7, 1841. *Record.*

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CLINTON. The commissioner appointed at the last term in McDowall *v.* Duncan *et al.*, files his report. He finds that the property can not be equitably divided and the case is continued. *Ibid.*

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[The Champaign County Circuit Court convenes at Urbana for a one day session.]

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JACKSONVILLE. A Whig rally and barbecue is addressed by Lincoln, D. M. Woodson, William I. Ferguson and others. Much enthusiasm is expressed and all appear confident of success at the polls. *Journal*, Oct. 10. [The Piatt Circuit Court convenes at Monticello.]

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SUN. OCT. 6	
MON. OCT. 7	VIRGINIA. Thayer <i>v.</i> Farrell, an attachment suit, is called in the Cass County Circuit Court. By agreement the case is moved to Sangamon County on a change of venue. Logan and Lincoln appear for the plaintiff and Delahay and Baker for the defendant. <i>Record</i> . [The Macon Circuit Court convenes for a one day term.]
TUE. OCT. 8	
WED. OCT. 9	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln file the praecipe and pray for the issue of a summons against the defendant in Napier <i>v.</i> Wooldrige in the United States Circuit Court. <i>Record</i> . Lincoln's name is among those of prominent Whigs who were advertised to attend a Whig mass meeting in Decatur today. <i>Journal</i> , Sept. 26.
THU. OCT. 10	[The Moultrie Circuit Court convenes at Sullivan.]
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[The Shelby Circuit Court convenes for a two day term at Shelbyville.]

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PEORIA. Lincoln appears for the plaintiff in the Peoria Circuit Court in *Spies v. Neal et al.* Spies, a New York merchant, got a judgment by default for \$1,273.00 debt and \$52.41 damages in May, 1839. On Oct. 2, 1844, Spies purchased the property levied upon at a sheriff's sale. Today Lincoln asks the court to set aside the levy on the execution issued on the judgment. *Record.*

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[Sometime during the year 1844 Lincoln and William L. May engage in a heated debate at the Main Street Presbyterian Church in Peoria. The date of the encounter has not been definitely determined, but some evidence indicates that it was a three-day debate commencing on October 15. *Peoria Daily Transcript*, April 21, 23, 1881. *Ernest E. East to the compiler, Peoria*, July 19, 1938.]

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PEORIA. [See entry for yesterday.]

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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln draws from the Auditor a warrant for \$150.00 for Judge John D. Caton. It is part of the Judge's salary for the quarter ending Sept. 30th as a member of the Supreme Court of Illinois. *Warrant Register in Auditor's Office.*

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SPRINGFIELD. In the U. S. Circuit Court Logan and Lincoln, the plaintiff's attorneys, file suit to foreclose a mortgage executed by the defendants in *Woods et al. v. Yates et al.*, and ask that a summons be issued. The mortgage was made Feb. 8, 1843, on 160 acres in Christian County to secure \$457.00 to Woods, Christy & Co. of St. Louis. *Record.*

SUN. OCT. 20	
MON. OCT. 21	[The Coles County Circuit Court convenes.]
TUE. OCT. 22	
WED. OCT. 23	
THU. OCT. 24	[It is probable that Lincoln started for Vincennes the latter part of this week. He is said to have been the guest of Judge Abner T. Ellis, though there is no record that he made an address in Vincennes. Major William Bruce, for whom Bruceville, Indiana was named, claimed that Lincoln spoke in the old brick schoolhouse in Bruceville. <i>Lincoln Lore</i> , No. 271.]
FRI. OCT. 25	[There is a tradition that Lincoln gave a political address in Washington, Indiana, under a large elm tree at Third and Main streets and engaged in a law suit in the Daviess County Court. <i>Ibid.</i>]
SAT. OCT. 26	

SUN. OCT. 27	
MON. OCT. 28	[The Christian Circuit Court meets for a one day term.]
TUE. OCT. 29	
WED. OCT. 30	ROCKPORT, INDIANA. Lincoln speaks to a large audience at the Court House in the evening. He sets forth the main arguments for a protective tariff. He is followed by the friend of his youth in Indiana, John Pitcher. (<i>Rockport Indiana Herald, Nov. 1.</i>)
THU. OCT. 31	[If Lincoln attended the meeting of the Clay Club at Evansville, Indiana, on Nov. 1, he spent today on the road from Rockport to Evansville. The Logan County Circuit Court convenes at Postville. Logan & Lincoln were attorneys for the plaintiff in the partition suit of Drury Martin and Sarah Martin <i>v.</i> Thomas Lowry <i>et al.</i> , which was heard some time during this term.]
FRI. NOV. 1	[The <i>Evening Journal</i> of Evansville, Indiana on October 31, 1844, advertised a meeting of the Clay Whig Club at the Court House today. Although it is not certain, it is thought that Lincoln was one of the speakers. <i>Lincoln Lore, No. 271.</i>]
SAT. NOV. 2	

SUN. NOV. 3	
MON. NOV. 4	GENTRYVILLE, INDIANA. In a letter to David Turnham, just before his election to the presidency, Lincoln wrote: "I well remember when you and I last met, after a separation of fourteen years, at the cross-road voting place in the fall of 1844." <i>Tracy</i> , 166. [The Whigs carried Springfield 1031 to 758 and Sangamon County 1837 to 1371. <i>Pease</i> , 151. The Menard Circuit Court opens a three day term at Petersburg.]
TUE. NOV. 5	
WED. NOV. 6	[Lincoln gets the Lawrence County election returns and probably starts for Springfield either today or tomorrow. <i>See entry for Nov. 14.</i>]
THU. NOV. 7	[The Mason Circuit Court convenes for a two day term at Bath.]
FRI. NOV. 8	
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SUN. NOV. 10	
MON. NOV. 11	[The Sangamon Circuit Court convenes for a three week term.]
TUE. NOV. 12	SPRINGFIELD. A jury awards the plaintiff \$200. in Vaneaton <i>v.</i> Vaneaton. Logan and Lincoln represent the defendant. They win McConnell <i>v.</i> Mayberry, an ejectment suit. The plaintiff is ruled to show cause in Clements <i>v.</i> Cloyd, why he should not give security for costs; in Chatterton <i>v.</i> Curran, the defendant files his plea. Logan and Lincoln represent the plaintiff in these two cases. Six cases are continued. <i>Record.</i>
WED. NOV. 13	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln file bond for costs in Clements <i>v.</i> Cloyd, a trover and conversion suit. The case is argued before a jury and the jury retires. Brayman appears for the defendant. <i>Ibid.</i>
THU. NOV. 14	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln draws a warrant for \$17.60 from the Auditor as his compensation for bringing the presidential polls from Lawrence County to Springfield. In the Sangamon Circuit Court, the jury disagrees in Clements <i>v.</i> Cloyd and the case is continued. In Lesure & Bliss <i>v.</i> County of Menard, in which Lincoln appears for the defendant, the plaintiffs enter a demurrer to his plea. <i>Warrant Register in Auditor's Office; Record.</i>
FRI. NOV. 15	SPRINGFIELD. Lesure and Bliss <i>v.</i> County of Menard is argued before a jury by Campbell for the plaintiffs and Lincoln for the defendant, whereupon the plaintiffs take a non-suit and the jury is discharged. Logan and Lincoln appear for the defendants in People <i>v.</i> Klein & Hosey, and on their motion a change of venue is granted to Menard County. Two cases are set for a later hearing. <i>Ibid.</i>
SAT. NOV. 16	SPRINGFIELD. Beidler <i>v.</i> Woodruff, an appeal case is submitted to the court and the court takes time. The defendant in Throckmorton & Everett <i>v.</i> Dockum, is ruled to file the patents for the land in dispute by Monday morning. Logan and Lincoln appear for the appellee in the first case and the complainant in the last case. <i>Ibid.</i>

SUN. NOV. 17	
MON. NOV. 18	SPRINGFIELD. The defendants in <i>Shepherd v. Lyon et al.</i> , file their plea. Leave is given to open depositions in <i>Thayer v. Farrell</i> and <i>Barrett v. Saunders & Beck</i> . In the last case, the complainant files his exceptions to the depositions. Logan and Lincoln appear for the plaintiff in all three cases. <i>Record</i> .
TUE. NOV. 19	SPRINGFIELD. <i>Thayer v. Farrell</i> is continued with consent to take and retake depositions. In <i>Ware v. Ball</i> , the defendant is ordered to pay the Master-in-Chancery \$561.77 by March 15th or the land described in the bill will be sold. Welles represents the plaintiff and Robbins, Logan and Lincoln the defendant. <i>Ibid</i> .
WED. NOV. 20	SPRINGFIELD. <i>Shepherd v. Lyons et al.</i> , is argued before a jury by Logan and Lincoln for the plaintiff and Robbins for the defendants. The defendant, in <i>Chatterton v. Curran</i> , withdraws all pleas filed except the plea of not guilty, and the plaintiff then dismisses the suit at his cost. Logan & Lincoln represent the plaintiff. <i>See entry Nov. 12. Ibid.</i>
THU. NOV. 21	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln gets judgment by default in <i>Ide v. Yocum</i> . In three chancery cases in which Logan and Lincoln represent the petitioners, reports are examined and approved. On Lincoln's motion, the defendants in <i>Fortune v. Garvey et al.</i> , are ruled to answer by Friday. <i>Ibid</i> .
FRI. NOV. 22	SPRINGFIELD. Defendant Saunders in <i>Barrett v. Saunders and Beck</i> , files his replication. The complainant's exceptions to the depositions taken in this cause by the defendant were taken up and argued by the court and the court takes time to consider. Logan and Lincoln appear for the plaintiff and Robbins and Smedes for the defendants. <i>Ibid</i> .
SAT. NOV. 23	SPRINGFIELD. Antrim Campbell, Master-in-Chancery files his report in <i>Robert Irwin v. Joshua F. Speed et al.</i> His report is approved in this case, and in <i>Thompson v. Stapleford and School Commissioners v. Crosby</i> . Logan and Lincoln represent the plaintiffs in these three cases. They obtain leave to amend their declaration in <i>People v. Shepherd et al.</i> <i>Ibid</i> .

SUN. NOV. 24	
MON. NOV. 25	SPRINGFIELD. On Lincoln's motion, Antrim Campbell is appointed guardian <i>ad litem</i> in Dormandy <i>v.</i> Latham <i>et al.</i> An appeal to the Supreme Court is granted the plaintiff in Lesure & Bliss <i>v.</i> County of Menard. <i>See entry for Nov. 15. Record.</i>
TUE. NOV. 26	SPRINGFIELD. Fortune <i>v.</i> Garvey <i>et al.</i> , a chancery case, in which Logan and Lincoln represent the plaintiff is continued. <i>Ibid.</i>
WED. NOV. 27	SPRINGFIELD. William H. Herndon, by order of the Circuit Court, is given a certificate of good moral character. Logan and Lincoln win the case of Beidler <i>v.</i> Woodruff, in which they appear for the appellee. On Lincoln's motion, an appeal to the Supreme Court is granted the plaintiff in Blankenship <i>v.</i> Center. <i>Ibid.</i>
THU. NOV. 28	[The Sangamon Circuit Court does not meet today.]
FRI. NOV. 29	SPRINGFIELD. In the Circuit Court, the complainant is given leave to amend his bill in Hay <i>v.</i> Bryan <i>et al.</i> The court upholds Lincoln's exceptions to the depositions taken by the defendants. The case is continued. <i>See entry for Nov. 22.</i> Logan and Lincoln win Dormandy <i>v.</i> Latham <i>et al.</i> , when the defendants default. Logan and Lincoln file the plaintiff's declaration in Napier <i>v.</i> Wooldridge in the U. S. Circuit Court. <i>Ibid.</i>
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SUN. DEC. 1	
MON. DEC. 2	SPRINGFIELD. The U. S. Circuit Court convenes. David J. Baker, attorney for the defendant in Napier <i>v.</i> Wooldridge, files his plea, saying there is now no judgment for \$681.44 against Wooldridge in a St. Louis court. Wooldridge says he paid the judgment before this suit began. He says, on the contrary, that the plaintiff owes him \$800.00 for goods and \$900.00 for two negroes, Mat and Nancy. <i>Record.</i>
TUE. DEC. 3	
WED. DEC. 4	SPRINGFIELD. In the United States Circuit Court, on motion of Logan and Lincoln, attorneys for the plaintiffs in Woods <i>et al. v.</i> Yates <i>et al.</i> , the defendants are ruled to plead by tomorrow morning. <i>Ibid.</i>
THU. DEC. 5	SPRINGFIELD. The defendants default and the court orders the land sold to pay the debt of \$457.47 and damages of \$158.81 in Woods <i>et al. v.</i> Yates <i>et al.</i> , in the United States Circuit Court. Logan and Lincoln appear for the plaintiffs. Henry E. Yates, one of the defendants, was the father of Richard Yates, Civil War Governor of Illinois. <i>Ibid.</i>
FRI. DEC. 6	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes Samuel D. Marshall, an attorney at Shawneetown, explaining what action he will take in several cases in the Supreme Court, sent to him by Marshall. <i>Tracy</i> , 12-13. Logan and Lincoln file their replication, demurrer and exceptions to the defendants plea in Napier <i>v.</i> Wooldridge in the United States Circuit Court. <i>Record.</i>
SAT. DEC. 7	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln enter a motion to withdraw the replication filed yesterday in Napier <i>v.</i> Wooldridge in the United States Circuit Court. <i>Record.</i>

SUN. DEC. 8	
MON. DEC. 9	SPRINGFIELD. In <i>Napier v. Wooldridge</i> (<i>See Dec. 6th.</i>), the defendant withdraws his plea and the plaintiff agrees to take no exceptions to the matter of defendants notice of set off. <i>Record</i> . In the Supreme Court, Robbins, attorney for the plaintiffs, files motions in <i>Lockridge v. Foster</i> and <i>Lazell v. Francis</i> . Logan and Lincoln represent the defendants. <i>Ibid.</i> (14)
TUE. DEC. 10	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. The plaintiff in <i>Favor v. Marlett et al.</i> , is ruled to file his abstracts by the 14th. Lincoln and Dickey represent the plaintiff and Peters the defendant. <i>Ibid.</i> At a Whig caucus Lincoln, Logan and Hardin are nominated as Whig candidates for the United States Senate. On the first ballot Hardin gets two thirds of the votes, and is chosen as the party nominee.
WED. DEC. 11	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. The defendant in <i>Morgan v. Griffin</i> , by his attorneys, Lincoln, Hardin and Smith, move the court to dismiss the writ of error because the plaintiff has not filed sufficient record. <i>Ibid.</i> The trial of Charles H. Chapman of Chicago, for perjury in obtaining his discharge under the bankruptcy act, begins in the U. S. Circuit Court. Logan & Lincoln and Judd appear for the defendant. <i>Alton Telegraph, Dec. 21.</i>
THU. DEC. 12	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. McDougall, attorney for the plaintiff in <i>Morgan v. Griffin</i> suggests the diminution of the record and moves the court for a writ of certiorari. <i>See entry of yesterday. Record.</i> The Chapman trial begun yesterday continues today in the U. S. Circuit Court. The testimony is closed and the argument will begin tomorrow. <i>Alton Telegraph, Dec. 21.</i>
FRI. DEC. 13	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. The defendant moves the court for additional security upon the supersedeas bond filed in <i>Kimball v. Cook</i> . Butterfield is the attorney for the plaintiff and Lincoln and Dickey for the defendant. <i>Record.</i> The Chapman trial continues. The newspaper reports that it has been conducted with great ability on the part of Justin Butterfield, the U. S. District Attorney, and Logan & Lincoln. <i>Alton Telegraph, Dec. 21.</i>
SAT. DEC. 14	SPRINGFIELD. Logan & Lincoln lose their case when a jury in the U. S. Circuit Court finds Chapman guilty of perjury in obtaining his discharge under the bankruptcy act. Their plea for a new trial is denied. <i>Ibid.</i> William H. Herndon is admitted to the bar on December 9. Though the exact date cannot be ascertained, the partnership of Lincoln & Herndon began soon after Herndon's admittance to the bar.

SUN. DEC. 15	
MON. DEC. 16	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Beaumarchais, attorney for the plaintiff in <i>Kelly v. Garrett</i> moves the court for leave to withdraw the transcript filed, and to prepare an abstract thereof. Lincoln is the plaintiff's other attorney and Logan appears for the defendant which indicates their partnership has recently been dissolved. <i>Record</i> .
TUE. DEC. 17	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes J. J. Hardin that he wishes J. R. Diller appointed Postmaster in Springfield to succeed George W. Spottswood, deceased. "I do not perceive <i>how</i> you can effect anything; but if you <i>can</i> and <i>will</i> , you will oblige at least." Diller was appointed and held office to 1849. <i>Angle</i> , 20.
WED. DEC. 18	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln file their replication to the defendants plea of set off in <i>Napier v. Wooldridge</i> in the United States Circuit Court. <i>Record</i> .
THU. DEC. 19	SPRINGFIELD. The defeat of Henry Clay discouraged many Whigs in Springfield, including Lincoln. They hold a meeting this evening to discuss the future of the Whig party. A mass meeting had been held in St. Louis on Nov. 25th. to organize an American-Republican party. <i>John T. Stuart to John J. Hardin, Springfield, Dec. 18, Hardin MSS.</i>
FRI. DEC. 20	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. In <i>Wren v. Moss et al.</i> , the plaintiffs attorneys, Lincoln and Powell, file a motion that a writ of error be issued in this case. <i>Record</i> .
SAT. DEC. 21	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln argues his motion for a new trial in the case of Charles H. Chapman, who was convicted on Dec. 14, of perjury in availing himself of the bankrupt law. Butterfield resists the motion. <i>See entry for Dec. 23. Missouri Republican, Dec. 24.</i> The Supreme Court orders <i>Dorman et ux. v. Lane</i> reargued. Lincoln represents the plaintiff in error, and Trumbull the defendant in error. <i>Record</i> .

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SPRINGFIELD. The defendant files his rejoinder in *Napier v. Wooldridge* in the United States Circuit Court. The plaintiff, by Logan and Lincoln, file a demurrer. *Record*. Judge Nathaniel Pope sentences Charles H. Chapman, who was convicted of perjury on Dec. 14 in the U. S. Circuit Court, to five years in the penitentiary. Logan & Lincoln fail in their efforts to obtain a new trial. *Alton Telegraph & Democratic Review*, Dec. 28.

TUE.
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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Lincoln and Powell argue the motion made on the 20th to issue a writ of error in *Wren v. Moss et al.* Purple and Peters resist the motion. *Record*.

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SPRINGFIELD. The Supreme Court accepts the motion in *Wren v. Moss et al.*, argued day before yesterday and orders the defendants to appear at the next term. *Ibid*.

FRI.
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SPRINGFIELD. In the United States Circuit Court, the defendant in *Napier v. Wooldridge* files his rejoinder to Logan and Lincoln's replication, also affidavit for continuance. *See entry for Dec. 23. Ibid.*

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SUN. DEC. 29	
MON. DEC. 30	
TUE. DEC. 31	
WED. JAN. 1	["The night was one of great hilarity and enjoyment in Springfield. A large and very general party at the State House and a select party by Mrs. Young at the American House. Ladies of Episcopal Church also gave a supper—proceeds for religious purposes. It was one of the handsomest things I ever attended . . . A very large number in attendance, and all expressed themselves gratified." <i>Missouri Republican</i> , Jan. 6.]
THU. JAN. 2	
FRI. JAN. 3	SPRINGFIELD. Dorman <i>et ux. v.</i> Lane is reargued before the Supreme Court by Lincoln for the plaintiff and Trumbull for the defendant. Lincoln wins when the decree of the lower court is reversed. (6 <i>Ill.</i> 143) Morgan <i>v.</i> Griffin, in which Lincoln represents the defendant is continued. <i>Record</i> . [A meeting is held in the State House to form a State Colonization Society. <i>Journal</i> , Jan. 23.]
SAT. JAN. 4	SPRINGFIELD. The defendant withdraws his plea in Napier <i>v.</i> Wooldridge in the United States Circuit Court. The court awards the plaintiff \$681.44 debt and \$140.97 damages. <i>Record</i> . Lincoln receipts on the Judgment Docket for the full payment of the money in Speed <i>v.</i> Branson <i>et al.</i> He obtained a judgment in this case on Nov. 17, 1843.

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[The *Journal* carries a legal notice in the case of *Rhea v. Foutch et al.*, signed Logan and Lincoln, complainant's solicitors. This notice is dated some weeks after their partnership is believed to have terminated.]

TUE.
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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. *Graves v. Bruen* is argued by Minshall for the appellant and Browning for the appellee. The argument is concluded by Williams for the appellant. Lincoln is associated with Minshall and Williams but did not take part in the argument. *Record*.

WED.
JAN.

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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. *Martin v. Dryden et al.*, an appeal from Madison County is a bill for an injunction involving the title to land. N. D. Strong and Hall argue the case for the appellant. *Ibid.* A large party for the members of the Legislature is held this evening in the State House. Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln were doubtless among the 400 present at the brilliant party at the N. W. Edwards home last Friday evening.

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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Lincoln argues the case of *Martin v. Dryden et al.*, for the appellee and Browning concludes for the appellant. The case is submitted to the court. Lincoln, and Krum who had submitted a written argument, win their case when the court orders the complainant's bill dismissed on Jan. 18. *Record; Missouri Republican, Jan. 22.*

FRI.
JAN.

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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. The defendants in *Craig et al. v. Helm et al.*, by Martin, their attorney, argue the motion that the decree of the court be amended. This motion is resisted by Strong and Lincoln. *Ibid.* [The *Journal* of Jan. 16, carries a legal notice of this date of *Harlan v. Renshaw and Ferrel*, signed "Logan and Lincoln, plaintiff's attorneys." See entry for Mar. 29.]

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[The Lobby met each Monday evening. This group of Whigs and Democrats, with Sidney Breese as chairman, met to provide entertainment and enliven the evenings of the legislators. The informal debates were a feature that attracted Lincoln and it is probable that he attended regularly.]

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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Lincoln appears for the defendant in *Broadwell et al. v. Broadwell et al.* and asks leave of the court to assign cross errors in the case. *Record.*

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[Lincoln's letter to John J. Hardin in *Works*, I, 271-274 is misdated January 19, 1845. It should be January 19, 1846.]

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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Favor *v.* Marlett *et al.*, is argued by Dickey and Lincoln for the plaintiff and Peters for the defendant. Lincoln and Dickey win their case when the court, on Saturday, reverses the judgment of the lower court. *Record*; 6 *Ill.* 385.

FRI.
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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. In Stickney *et al.* *v.* Cassell, a case from Gallatin County, the plaintiff is given leave to amend his assignment of errors. W. H. Stickney appears for the plaintiff and Lincoln for the defendant. *Record*.

SAT.
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SUN. JAN. 26	
MON. JAN. 27	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. The cases of Parker <i>v. Smith et al.</i> , and Stickney <i>et al. v. Cassell</i> are argued. Lincoln appears for the plaintiff with Dickey in the first case and alone for the defendant in the second case. Judgment is affirmed in Morgan <i>v. Griffin</i> , the defendant, Lincoln's client, to pay costs in Supreme Court and each party to pay respective costs in the Circuit Court. <i>Record.</i>
TUE. JAN. 28	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Lincoln and Dickey for the defendant and Butterfield for the plaintiff argue the case of Kimball <i>v. Cook</i> and the case is submitted to the court. <i>Ibid.</i>
WED. JAN. 29	
THU. JAN. 30	
FRI. JAN. 31	
SAT. FEB. 1	

SUN. FEB. 2	
MON. FEB. 3	
TUE. FEB. 4	
WED. FEB. 5	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Lincoln argues his motion made Jan. 16, for leave to assign cross errors in <i>Broadwell et al. v. Broadwell et al. Record.</i>
THU. FEB. 6	SPRINGFIELD. The Supreme Court overrules Lincoln's motion to assign cross errors in <i>Broadwell et al. v. Broadwell et al.</i> The case is argued by Smedes for the plaintiffs and Lincoln and Baker for the defendants. The defendants lose when the court reverses the decree of the circuit court. <i>Ibid.</i>
FRI. FEB. 7	
SAT. FEB. 8	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. <i>Hall v. Irwin et al.</i> , is continued by consent of Minshall for the plaintiff and Lincoln for the defendant. This case, appealed from Sangamon County, involved the want of power in an administrator with the will annexed to convey real estate so as to vest title under the will. <i>Ibid.</i>

SUN. FEB. 9	
MON. FEB. 10	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. In <i>Thomas v. Negus</i> , Lincoln for the defendant and Martin for plaintiff, argue the demurrer to writ of error. This case is not settled until January 10th, 1846. Lincoln's only connection with the case is on this day. <i>Record.</i>
TUE. FEB. 11	
WED. FEB. 12	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Robbins, attorney for the plaintiff in <i>Lockridge v. Foster</i> , moves the court to amend the decree in relation to interest. Lincoln resists the motion. <i>Ibid.</i>
THU. FEB. 13	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. <i>Morgan v. Griffin</i> , a case from Scott County involving questions of procedure, is argued by Jordan and McDougall for the plaintiff in error and Lincoln for the defendant. <i>Ibid.</i>
FRI. FEB. 14	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. <i>Cook v. Hall</i> , an action of ejectment from Richland County is argued by Lincoln for the plaintiff and Baker for the defendant. <i>Ibid.</i>
SAT. FEB. 15	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. The argument is concluded by Lincoln in <i>Cook v. Hall</i> . At a later date the judgment of the lower court is affirmed. <i>Field et al. v. Rawlings</i> , an action of debt on a surety bond, is argued by Lincoln, for the plaintiff and by Trumbull & McDougall for the defendant. The case is submitted to the court. (Lincoln wins the case when judgment is reversed on the 24th of Feb.) <i>Ibid.</i> ; 6 <i>Ill.</i> 581.

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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. The plaintiff is ordered to file abstracts in Blankenship *v.* Center by Feb. 24. Logan and Lincoln are attorneys for the plaintiff. Rogers *v.* Dickey, an appeal from Sangamon County, is submitted to the court on written arguments by Scammon for the plaintiff and Lincoln for the defendant. *Record.*

TUE.
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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. The appellant is ruled to assign errors by Feb. 19, in Cunningham *v.* Fithian *et al.* J. J. Brown and McRoberts represent the appellant and Lincoln, Logan and Baker the appellees. *Ibid.*

WED.
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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. The court overrules Robbins motion made on Feb. 12, in Lockridge *v.* Foster. Robbins represents the plaintiff and Lincoln the defendant. *Ibid.*

THU.
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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Lincoln appears in his first case from Cook County when he argues for the plaintiff in Kelly *v.* Garrett. Logan appears for the defendant. *Ibid.*

SAT.
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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Lincoln concludes the argument in Kelly *v.* Garrett and the case is submitted. He wins the case when the judgment of the circuit court is reversed. 6 *Ill.* 649. Robbins, for the plaintiff in Lazell *v.* Francis, renews his motion that judgment of affirmation in this case be amended in order that the case may be remanded to the circuit court. Lincoln resists, and the court denies the motion. *Ibid.*

SUN. FEB. 23	
MON. FEB. 24	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. William Thomas, attorney for the plaintiff in <i>Regnier v. Cabot</i> , suggests the marriage of the defendant with E. C. Torrey since commencement of this suit and moves that he be made a defendant. The court allows the motion. Lincoln enters the appearance of the defendant. He resists a petition for a re-hearing in <i>McDonald v. Fithian et al. Record.</i>
TUE. FEB. 25	
WED. FEB. 26	
THU. FEB. 27	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. After the decision is read in <i>Graves v. Bruen</i> , Lincoln moves the court that the case be remanded to the circuit court for a new trial. He files a petition for a re-hearing of <i>Rogers v. Dickey</i> . The appellant in <i>Dockum v. Throckmorton & Everett</i> having failed to file the record, Lincoln moves that appeal be dismissed. Motion allowed with costs against the appellant. <i>Ibid; Works, I, 274.</i>
FRI. FEB. 28	
SAT. MAR. 1	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes to Archibald Williams in regard to cases before the Supreme Court which he has been handling for him. <i>Works, I, 274.</i> The Supreme Court denies Lincoln's motion for a re-hearing of <i>Rogers v. Dickey</i> , and allows his motion in <i>Graves v. Bruen</i> , made on Thursday. <i>Record.</i>

SUN. MAR. 2	
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WED. MAR. 5	
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FRI. MAR. 7	
SAT. MAR. 8	

SUN. MAR. 9	
MON. MAR. 10	
TUE. MAR. 11	
WED. MAR. 12	
THU. MAR. 13	SPRINGFIELD. In the United States Court, Peters for the plaintiff in Donaldson <i>v.</i> Reynolds & Walker files the praecipe and declaration alleging failure of the defendants to pay three promissory notes in the amount of \$11,320.00. Lincoln is the attorney for the defendants. <i>Record.</i>
FRI. MAR. 14	
SAT. MAR. 15	

SUN. MAR. 16	
MON. MAR. 17	SPRINGFIELD. The Sangamon Circuit Court opens a thirteen day term. The indictment for manslaughter is read in <i>People v. Dorman</i> . Lincoln is attorney for the defendant. In two cases of <i>Klein v. May</i> , the plaintiff is awarded judgments by default for \$86.70 and \$966.05. Logan and Lincoln appear for the defendant in these two cases. They have two cases continued and <i>Barrett v. Saunders & Beck</i> is dismissed by agreement. <i>Record</i> .
TUE. MAR. 18	SPRINGFIELD. The first case of the firm of Lincoln and Herndon in the Sangamon Court, <i>Hope v. Beebe et al.</i> , is continued. This is an action in debt with Lincoln and Herndon appearing for the plaintiff and Logan for the defendant. Lincoln files the defendant's plea in <i>Taylor v. May</i> , an assumpsit suit. Logan and Lincoln win <i>Clements v. Cloyd</i> when a jury awards the plaintiff \$24.87½. <i>Ibid</i> .
WED. MAR. 19	SPRINGFIELD. The defendant in <i>Valentine v. Delany</i> enters his exceptions to the deposition of Joseph Ormsbee. The exception is sustained and deposition excluded, whereupon the plaintiff dismisses the suit. Brayman appears for the plaintiff and Logan and Lincoln for the defendant. Clements asks Logan and Lincoln to pay James Burtle out of the proceeds of the judgment obtained against Cloyd. Lincoln agrees if the amount is not over \$10. <i>Ibid</i> .
THU. MAR. 20	SPRINGFIELD. Baker and Matheny for the appellant and Lincoln for the appellee, argue <i>Crouch v. Murphy</i> before the court. Judgment is awarded to the appellee. In <i>Camp v. Duncan</i> , Lincoln enters a motion to dismiss the appeal. <i>Ibid</i> .
FRI. MAR. 21	
SAT. MAR. 22	

SUN. MAR. 23	
MON. MAR. 24	SPRINGFIELD. In the Sangamon Court a divorce is granted to Catherine Hampton from Sanuel C. Hampton. The plaintiff in <i>People v. Shepherd et al.</i> , is given leave to amend the declaration. This case and <i>Wood v. Jones</i> are continued. Logan and Lincoln appear for the plaintiff in the first two cases and Lincoln alone for the plaintiff in the last case. <i>Record</i> .
TUE. MAR. 25	
WED. MAR. 26	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln enters a plea of not guilty, files the affidavit and enters a motion for a change of venue to Menard County in <i>People v. Dorman</i> . The court orders the change and the defendant placed under \$500.00 bond. <i>See entry for Mar. 17. Ibid.</i>
THU. MAR. 27	SPRINGFIELD. The <i>People v. Shepherd et al.</i> , is transferred to the civil docket. The defendant files his affidavit and enters his motion for a continuance. Logan and Lincoln appear for the plaintiff and Robbins and Smedes for the defendant. By agreement, in <i>Camp v. Duncan</i> , the defendant is discharged and the suit dismissed at the cost of the defendant. Lincoln represents the defendant. <i>Ibid.</i>
FRI. MAR. 28	SPRINGFIELD—JACKSONVILLE? <i>Taylor v. May</i> is dismissed for failure to prosecute. <i>See entry for Mar. 18.</i> On Lincoln's motion, Antrim Campbell is appointed guardian <i>ad litem</i> in <i>Rhea v. Heirs of James Rhea. Ibid.</i> A dinner in honor of John J. Hardin is held in Jacksonville. Baker and Hardin are the speakers. Lincoln probably attended the affair. <i>Record; Journal, April 10.</i>
SAT. MAR. 29	SPRINGFIELD. On motion of Brayman, attorney for the defendant, an appeal to the Supreme Court is allowed in <i>Clements v. Cloyd</i> . Logan and Lincoln also represent the plaintiff in <i>Harlan v. Renshaw & Ferrel</i> , an attachment suit. They get judgment by default for \$114.40. Judge Treat orders the sheriff to sell an 80 acre tract of land to pay the judgment. <i>Record.</i>

SUN. MAR. 30	
MON. MAR. 31	SPRINGFIELD. In Beidler <i>v.</i> Woodruff, the plaintiff asks to have the judgment entered at the last term, corrected. The complainants petition in Rhea <i>v.</i> Heirs of James Rhea is granted and the defendants ordered to convey the property to the complainant. Logan and Lincoln appear for the defendant in the first and complainant in the latter case. Lincoln & Herndon appear for William S. Hamilton <i>v.</i> John White <i>et al.</i> Case dismissed by complainant. <i>Record.</i>
TUE. APR. 1	
WED. APR. 2	
THU. APR. 3	SPRINGFIELD. On the Execution Docket in the U. S. Circuit Court in the two cases of Fassett <i>et al.</i> <i>v.</i> Blackwell, Logan and Lincoln receipt in full for the judgments of \$5260.97 and \$1051.28. The judgments were obtained on June 7, 1844.
FRI. APR. 4	
SAT. APR. 5	

SUN. APR. 6	
MON. APR. 7	
TUE. APR. 8	
WED. APR. 9	[The Tazewell Circuit Court opens at Tremont and closes on April 16th.]
THU. APR. 10	TREMONT. On motion of the complainants attorneys, Leonard and Lincoln, in Dobbs <i>v.</i> Dobbs, a divorce suit, the defendant is ruled to answer by tomorrow. Harris <i>v.</i> Dean an appeal case, is tried by a jury. The jury finds for the appellant, Lincoln's client, and assesses damages of \$19.95. The defendant enters a motion for a new trial. <i>Record.</i>
FRI. APR. 11	TREMONT. A meeting of the members of the bar of Peoria, McLean, Sangamon and Tazewell Counties, is held in the court room in the evening to select a committee to draw up resolutions of sympathy on the death of William H. Wilmot, attorney of the court. Lincoln is chosen chairman of the meeting and is placed on the resolution committee. In court, Lincoln has two cases continued. <i>Ibid.</i>
SAT. APR. 12	TREMONT. The court hears the argument of the defendant for a new trial in Harris <i>v.</i> Dean. A new trial is granted and the case continued. Lincoln appears for the appellant and Leonard for the appellee. Lincoln reads the resolutions of the bar deploring the death of William H. Wilmot. <i>Ibid.</i>

SUN. APR. 13	TREMONT.
MON. APR. 14	TREMONT.
TUE. APR. 15	TREMONT. Lincoln loses an appeal case, Frazer <i>v.</i> Boyle, when the judgment of the lower court is affirmed. Cromwell & McNaughton <i>v.</i> Baker & County of Tazewell is continued. <i>Record.</i>
WED. APR. 16	TREMONT. On motion of the defendant's attorney, the divorce suit of Jane Dobbs <i>v.</i> Stephen Dobbs is continued. The defendant is ordered to pay the complainant \$50.00 to aid her in the prosecution of the suit. Lincoln and Leonard appear for the complainant and Briggs for the defendant. <i>Ibid.</i>
THU. APR. 17	METAMORA. The Woodford Circuit Court opens a two day term. Rice <i>v.</i> Barney, a trespass case is dismissed by agreement, each party paying his own costs. Lincoln appears for the plaintiff. <i>Ibid</i>
FRI. APR. 18	METAMORA. Cromwell & McNaughton <i>v.</i> Hewitt & Davenport is tried by the court. Judgment is rendered the plaintiff for \$1304.10. Leonard represents the plaintiff, Lincoln and Jones the defendant. <i>Ibid.</i>
SAT. APR. 19	

SUN. APR. 20	
MON. APR. 21	[The McLean Circuit Court convenes for a five day term at Bloomington.]
TUE. APR. 22	
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FRI. APR. 25	
SAT. APR. 26	

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[The Livingston Circuit Court meets for a one day session at Pontiac.]

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CLINTON. Judge Treat convenes a two day term of the DeWitt Circuit Court. The case of A. Lincoln *v.* Spencer and William Turner is continued. On Lincoln's motion Watson & Lloyd *v.* Holsey *et al.*, is continued for want of service in time. He appears for the plaintiff in McDowall *v.* Duncan *et al.*, which is continued by agreement. *Record.*

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MON. MAY 5	[The Piatt Circuit Court convenes at Monticello.]
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WED. MAY 7	[The Champaign County Circuit Court convenes for a four day term at Urbana.]
THU. MAY 8	
FRI. MAY 9	
SAT. MAY 10	URBANA. Lincoln and Gridley are appointed to defend William Weaver, a reckless drunkard who shot David Hiltibran with a rifle for no apparent reason. The shot entered Hiltibran's right side and he eventually died. Weaver is found guilty and sentenced to be hanged but he escapes before the execution. <i>Stewart; History of Champaign County</i> , I, 179; <i>Record</i> .

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CHARLESTON. In the Coles Circuit Court. Lincoln gets a judgment for about \$200.00 for McKibben against Hart. He draws up an order, which McKibben signs, assigning \$35.00 of the judgment to Lincoln. This order, Lincoln leaves with the circuit clerk in order that his father may come and get the money. *Photo.*
[The Vermilion Circuit Court, now a part of the Eighth Judicial District, convenes today.]

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MON. MAY 19	[The Edgar County Circuit Court now a part of the Eighth Judicial Circuit is in session all this week at Paris.]
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MON. MAY 26	[The spring term of the Moultrie Circuit Court begins.]
TUE. MAY 27	
WED. MAY 28	
THU. MAY 29	[The Macon Circuit Court meets today and tomorrow at Decatur.]
FRI. MAY 30	
SAT. MAY 31	

SUN. JUNE 1	
MON. JUNE 2	TAYLORVILLE. The Christian Circuit Court convenes for a two day term. Gilbert <i>v.</i> Ralston, an assumpsit suit, in which Rountree and Lincoln appear for the plaintiff, is dismissed. Kilbourn <i>v.</i> Archer is continued. <i>Record.</i> Lewis <i>v.</i> Administrators of Broadwell, is tried in the U. S. Circuit Court some time during the term which opens today. Logan and Lincoln appear for the defendants. The case goes to the U. S. Supreme Court. 3 <i>McLean</i> , 568.
TUE. JUNE 3	SPRINGFIELD. In the United States Court which opened yesterday, D. J. Baker, attorney for the defendant in Napier <i>v.</i> Wooldridge, withdraws his plea. The suit is to recover on a judgment of \$563.05 debt and \$118.39 damages secured in the circuit court of St. Louis County, Missouri. Logan and Lincoln are the attorneys for the plaintiff. <i>Record.</i>
WED. JUNE 4	SPRINGFIELD. In the U. S. Circuit Court, the defendant in Napier <i>v.</i> Wooldridge having withdrawn his plea yesterday, the court awards the plaintiff \$681.44 and damages of \$140.97. On motion of Logan & Lincoln for the plaintiff, leave is given to strike out the second count of the declaration in Walker & Hack <i>v.</i> McCoy. A jury finds for the plaintiff and assesses damages at \$172.29. <i>Ibid.</i>
THU. JUNE 5	SPRINGFIELD. In the evening a public meeting on the Oregon question is held in the State House. Hardin says he is content to leave negotiations to the President and he does not believe there will be war, but if there is, he will fight. (This is the third of a series of three meetings, the other two having been held on the two preceding nights.) <i>Journal</i> , June 12. (15)
FRI. JUNE 6	PEORIA? The attorney for the plaintiff in Spies <i>v.</i> Neal <i>et al.</i> , withdraws his motion entered Oct. 15, 1844, to set aside the levy on the execution. Lincoln entered the motion in October, but it is not clear from the record, if Lincoln or Logan was the attorney on this day. <i>Record.</i> [A convention of those interested in Internal Improvements is held at the State House. <i>Journal</i> , June 12.]
SAT. JUNE 7	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln obtain a judgment for \$2904.68 for the plaintiffs in Hite <i>et al.</i> <i>v.</i> Kerney in the United States Circuit Court. <i>Record.</i> Thomas Ford, president of last night's meeting, appoints ten delegates to the South Western Convention at Memphis: Murray McConnel, Baker, Douglas, E. D. Taylor, Hardin, John Reynolds, Lincoln, A. W. Cavarly, Wm. H. Bissell and Mark Skinner. <i>Journal</i> , June 12.

SUN. JUNE 8	
MON. JUNE 9	PETERSBURG. Lincoln attends the three day term of the Menard Circuit Court. The prosecution drops the case of People <i>v.</i> Jacob Williams, indicted for sending a challenge. Lincoln and Baker are attorneys for the defendant. Leave is given to open depositions in Stockwell & Co. <i>v.</i> Page. <i>Record.</i>
TUE. JUNE 10	PETERSBURG. The trespass case, Moon <i>v.</i> Preston is tried by a jury. The jury finds the defendant guilty and assesses damages at five dollars. The judgment of the justice of peace court is affirmed in Stockwell & Co. <i>v.</i> Page. In Short <i>v.</i> Caldwell, an injunction suit, the defendant is ruled to show cause why an attachment should not be issued against him. Lincoln appears for the defendant in the first two cases and for the plaintiff in the latter. <i>Ibid.</i>
WED. JUNE 11	PETERSBURG. Lincoln and Herndon, in their first case in Menard County, successfully defend James Dorman, indicted for manslaughter. Baker, Matheny and Harris argue the case of Scott <i>v.</i> Busher, a trespass case from Sangamon County. Lincoln & Campbell appear for the defendant. The jury finds the defendant guilty and assesses the plaintiff's damages at \$275.00. The court grants a new trial. Lincoln appears for the plaintiff in Wagoner <i>v.</i> Lukins. <i>Ibid.</i>
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FRI. JUNE 20	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes Samuel D. Marshall an attorney at Shawneetown about the Supreme Court cases of Dorman <i>et ux.</i> <i>v.</i> Lane and Gatewood <i>v.</i> Wood and Wood. He asks Marshall to remind Henry Eddy, a Shawneetown attorney about his “little fee” in the case of Rawlings <i>v.</i> Field. <i>Tracy</i> , 14.
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FRI. JULY 4	SPRINGFIELD. The Fourth of July celebration begins at 3 A. M. with reveille in the cupola of the State House followed by 13 guns. Lincoln delivers the oration of the day in the State House at 2 P. M. The celebration closes with 28 guns at sunset. <i>Register</i> , July 4.
SAT. JULY 5	[The South Western Convention met in Memphis on the 4th and 5th. G. T. M. Davis, William Walters and William I. Ferguson are the only Illinois delegates listed in the proceedings. <i>See entry for June 7. Journal</i> , July 17.]

SUN. JULY 6	
MON. JULY 7	[No summer term of the Supreme Court is held.]
TUE. JULY 8	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln draws up an agreement to provide for certain allowances to be made by both sides in the case of <i>Hope v. Beebe et al.</i> , in the Sangamon Circuit Court. This was a debt case continued on March 18. <i>Anderson Galleries Catalog</i> , No. 1248.
WED. JULY 9	
THU. JULY 10	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln draws a warrant from the Auditor's office for \$59.18, the quarterly salary of Aaron Shaw, as States Attorney of the Fourth Judicial District. On the margin of the Warrant Register, the clerk wrote "Handed to Capt. Lincoln July 10, 1845." <i>Warrant Register in Auditor's Office.</i>
FRI. JULY 11	
SAT. JULY 12	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln is a member of the Committee of Arrangements for Commemoration of the death of Andrew Jackson. E. D. Baker delivers the eulogy at an afternoon meeting at the State House. <i>Journal</i> . (No date on the section of the issue where this was found.)

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SUN. JULY 27	
MON. JULY 28	SPRINGFIELD. Logan and Lincoln have four cases called on the first day of the summer term of the Sangamon Court. In Logan and Lincoln <i>v.</i> Atkinson, the defendant, on motion of the plaintiff, is ruled to plead by tomorrow. On motion of the defendant in Thayer <i>v.</i> Farrell, leave is given to open depositions. Williams <i>v.</i> Reeves and State Bank <i>v.</i> Harlan <i>et al.</i> , are continued. <i>Record.</i>
TUE. JULY 29	SPRINGFIELD. The jury awards \$100.00 damages to Logan and Lincoln in their suit against John Atkinson. Lincoln files the affidavit of one complainant and moves the case be continued in Brown <i>et al. v.</i> Harlan <i>et al.</i> In Foster <i>v.</i> Hill, the appellee enters his appearance and the cause is continued. Lincoln appears for the appellee and Robbins for the appellant. <i>Ibid.</i>
WED. JULY 30	SPRINGFIELD. The jury in Beerup <i>v.</i> Lewis award the property in question to the complainant. Lincoln, Herndon and Robbins represent the defendant. Lincoln files the defendant's plea in Beatty & Wife <i>v.</i> Miller & Wife. In two of Logan & Lincoln's cases, the defendants are ruled to plead by Thursday and two are continued. Lincoln & Herndon get \$156.46 damages in Thompson <i>v.</i> Rowell & Nightingale. <i>Ibid.</i>
THU. JULY 31	SPRINGFIELD. The report of Master-in-Chancery in Trailor <i>v.</i> Hill is approved, and the bill of complainant dismissed. The defendant files affidavit and on motion it is ordered that execution issue forthwith for costs. Logan and Lincoln appear for the defendant. The order of continuance in Foster <i>v.</i> Hill is set aside and People <i>v.</i> Shepherd <i>et al.</i> , is continued. <i>Ibid.</i>
FRI. AUG. 1	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln and Herndon file the affidavit of Jonathon Miller, one of the defendants in Beatty & Wife <i>v.</i> Miller & Wife. Lincoln loses the case of Foster <i>v.</i> Hill when a jury awards the property to the complainant. Baker files a demurrer in Yocum <i>v.</i> Newsom, a slander case. Logan, Lincoln and Herndon appear for the plaintiff. <i>Ibid.</i>
SAT. AUG. 2	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln, attorney for the complainant in Calhoun <i>v.</i> Warner & Gros, files his bill of complaint praying for an injunction enjoining the defendant from further prosecution of certain suits at law now pending. Logan resists the motion and the court orders that motion be overruled and case continued. <i>Ibid.</i>

SUN. AUG. 3	
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TUE. AUG. 5	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln files his answer as guardian <i>ad litem</i> in Latham <i>v.</i> Latham <i>et al.</i> He wins the case of Withrow <i>v.</i> Hill when the court affirms the decision of the lower court. With Herndon, he appears for the appellant in Short <i>v.</i> Ray. They lose the case when the court finds for the defendant. Lincoln appears for the appellants in Vanhoff & Lewis <i>v.</i> Broadwell. Judgment of lower court is affirmed for \$11.17; Logan for appellee. <i>Record.</i>
WED. AUG. 6	SPRINGFIELD. A jury finds the defendant guilty in Beatty & Wife <i>v.</i> Miller & Wife, and assesses the plaintiffs damages at \$45.00. Yocum <i>v.</i> Newsom is argued before a jury. Lincoln and Herndon appear for the defendant in the first case, and with Logan for the plaintiff in the second case. On Lincoln's motion, the decree of the last term is vacated in Miller <i>v.</i> Freeman & Freeman. <i>Ibid.</i>
THU. AUG. 7	SPRINGFIELD. The jury fails to agree on a verdict in Yocum <i>v.</i> Newsom. They are discharged and the case continued. Lincoln loses Withrow <i>v.</i> Hill when the court finds for the complainant. He files notice of publication in Hay <i>v.</i> Bryan <i>et al.</i> On the defendant's motion, a new trial is granted in Beerup <i>v.</i> Lewis, involving the ownership of the stud horse named Cherokee, and judgment to stand as to rest of property. Lincoln is for the defendant. <i>Ibid.</i>
FRI. AUG. 8	SPRINGFIELD. Reports are filed and approved in three chancery cases in which Logan and Lincoln represent the complainant: Hill <i>v.</i> McCondy, Rhea <i>v.</i> Rhea Heirs, and A. G. Henry, Administrator of Isaac C. Whitwell. <i>Ibid.</i>
SAT. AUG. 9	SPRINGFIELD. Leave is given the complainant to amend his declaration and account in Thayer <i>v.</i> Farrell. Logan and Lincoln appear for the plaintiff and Baker & Matheny for the defendant. <i>Ibid.</i>

SUN. AUG. 10	
MON. AUG. 11	SPRINGFIELD. On the last day of the summer term of the Sangamon Circuit Court, Logan and Lincoln file their replication to the defendants answer in <i>Fortune v. Garvey et al.</i> The motion of the defendants to dissolve the injunction is denied in <i>Brown et al. v. Harlan et al. Record.</i>
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SUN. AUG. 31	
MON. SEPT. 1	[Lincoln goes to Jacksonville early in September to talk with John J. Hardin about the next Congressional election. He tells Hardin he expects to get Baker off the track and thus if Hardin is not going to run, Lincoln will be assured of the nomination. <i>Angle</i> . 23.]
TUE. SEPT. 2	
WED. SEPT. 3	TREMONT. The Tazewell Circuit Court opens a seven day term. The defendant in <i>Dobbs v. Dobbs</i> enters a motion to overrule the order to pay \$50.00 to the complainant to continue the suit. After hearing the argument the court sustains the motion. Leonard and Lincoln appear for the complainant and Briggs for the defendant. <i>Record</i> .
THU. SEPT. 4	TREMONT. On motion of Lincoln, attorney for the appellant, <i>Harris v. Dean</i> is dismissed at the cost of the appellant. <i>Ibid</i> .
FRI. SEPT. 5	TREMONT. <i>Dobbs v. Dobbs</i> is argued before a jury. The jury failing to agree is discharged. <i>Stuart v. Bailey</i> is dismissed for want of prosecution. Lincoln is attorney for the plaintiff. <i>Ibid</i> .
SAT. SEPT. 6	[Lincoln's trip around the Eighth Judicial Circuit this fall gives him an opportunity to obtain pledges from the leading men to support him in his campaign for Congress next summer. <i>P. H. Thompson to John J. Hardin, Pekin, Ill. Jan. 12, 1846, Hardin MSS.</i>]

SUN. SEPT. 7	TREMONT.
MON. SEPT. 8	TREMONT.
TUE. SEPT. 9	TREMONT. The defendant in the divorce case of Dobbs <i>v.</i> Dobbs moves the court to dissolve the injunction granted on the supplemental bill. The motion is denied and the court appoints David Mark receiver to take charge of the real estate, mentioned in the pleadings. Leonard and Lincoln appear for the complainant and Briggs for the defendant. <i>Record.</i>
WED. SEPT. 10	
THU. SEPT. 11	[The Woodford Circuit Court convenes at Metamora for a three day term.]
FRI. SEPT. 12	
SAT. SEPT. 13	[Lincoln probably visited Hennepin and other towns in Marshall and Putnam counties at this time. In a letter to Williamson Durley of Hennepin from Springfield on Oct. 3, he says: "when I saw you at home, it was agreed that I should write to you and your brother Madison . . . I was glad to hear that you intended to attempt to bring about, at the next election in Putnam, a union of the Whigs proper." <i>Works, I, 275.</i>]

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[The McLean County Circuit Court opens a six day session at
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MON. SEPT. 22	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln draws from the State Auditor, twenty dollars for Chief Justice William Wilson and thirty dollars for William A. Denning as States Attorney of the Third Circuit. <i>Photo.</i> [The Livingston County Circuit Court meets in Pontiac for a one day term.]
TUE. SEPT. 23	
WED. SEPT. 24	
THU. SEPT. 25	CLINTON. The DeWitt Circuit Court convenes for a two day term. Lincoln appears for the plaintiffs Watson & Lloyd, Administrators <i>v.</i> Holsey <i>et al.</i> The defendant defaults and the court awards the plaintiff \$95.00, the amount of the note, and \$25.94 damages. Lincoln appears for the plaintiff in McDowall <i>v.</i> Duncan <i>et al.</i> , which is continued on his motion. <i>Record.</i>
FRI. SEPT. 26	CLINTON?
SAT. SEPT. 27	[Gibson William Harris stated in "My Recollections of Abraham Lincoln", that "In September, 1845, through the kindness of our then State Senator, Mr. Charles Constable, it was arranged I should enter the law office of Lincoln & Herndon." <i>Farm and Fireside</i> , Dec. 1, 1904.]

<div>SUN. SEPT. 28</div>	
<div>MON. SEPT. 29</div>	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln and Herndon file praecipe and declaration in Rockwell <i>et al. v.</i> Bradford in the United States Circuit Court. They seek to collect \$669.76 on two notes and \$500.00 damages. <i>Record</i> . [The Piatt Circuit Court convenes at Monticello.]
<div>TUE. SEPT. 30</div>	
<div>WED. OCT. 1</div>	[The Champaign Circuit Court convenes for a one day term at Urbana.]
<div>THU. OCT. 2</div>	
<div>FRI. OCT. 3</div>	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes to Williamson Durley a letter about politics. He expresses the belief that Henry Clay would have been elected President in 1844 if the Liberty Party had voted for him. He professes to be not much interested in the Texas question, but goes on to outline his views on slavery. <i>Works, I</i> , 275.
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MON. OCT. 6	[The Vermilion Circuit Court convenes today.]
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[The Edgar Circuit Court opens a four day term at Paris.]

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MON. OCT. 20	[The Coles County Circuit Court and the Moultrie Circuit Court convene.]
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WED. OCT. 22	
THU. OCT. 23	[The Macon Circuit Court is in session today and tomorrow.]
FRI. OCT. 24	SPRINGFIELD? Lincoln gives Francis Regnier a receipt for \$25.00 and releases his rights to one eighth of the judgment he obtained as attorney for the plaintiff in Cabot <i>v.</i> Regnier in the Morgan Circuit Court in 1844. <i>Angle</i> , 21.
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TAYLORVILLE. The Christian County Circuit Court holds a one day session. Lincoln, attorney for the defendant in Young *v.* Stevens, a trespass suit, files his plea. *Record.*

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[The Logan County Circuit Court convenes at Camden (Postville) .]

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MON. NOV. 3	PETERSBURG. [The Menard County Circuit Court opens its fall term, which continues for three days.]
TUE. NOV. 4	PETERSBURG. In Nancy Green <i>v.</i> Mentor Graham, the defendant confesses his indebtedness for \$112.23, the amount of a note and interest. Lincoln and Herndon appear for the plaintiff. Lincoln appearing for the defendant in Sackett & Trent <i>v.</i> Mosteller, gets a jury verdict and also wins Adams <i>v.</i> Chase when the court affirms the judgment of the lower court. Scott <i>v.</i> Busher, a trespass case is continued. <i>Record.</i>
WED. NOV. 5	PETERSBURG. Wagoner <i>v.</i> Lukins is tried before a jury. The jury unable to agree is discharged and the case continued. Lincoln, Baker and Matheny appear for the complainant, Stuart and Harris for the defendant. Two cases are continued. <i>Ibid.</i>
THU. NOV. 6	[Lincoln is already thinking of next years campaign for Congress. In a letter to John J. Hardin, Martin S. Morris of Petersburg says, "Mr. Lincoln was here at court and I discover from what he says that he wants to run for Congress . . . he doesn't know but you will be his competitor . . . I should like to see you in Congress again but I believe I would rather you would run for Governor now." <i>Hardin MSS.</i>]
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MON. NOV. 10	SPRINGFIELD. The Sangamon Circuit Court, opens a thirteen day session. Lincoln gets a judgment for his law partner when the defendant defaults in Herndon <i>v.</i> Martin. The clerk assesses the damages at \$134.10. Lincoln enters a motion that the <i>scire facias</i> in State Bank <i>v.</i> Harlan <i>et al.</i> be quashed. In Thayer <i>v.</i> Farrell, the plaintiff's attorneys Logan and Lincoln are given leave to withdraw the bond filed. <i>Record.</i>
TUE. NOV. 11	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln files the defendants plea in Traylor <i>v.</i> Goodacre, a replevin suit. Abram Foutch, administrator of Isaac G. Jones is made the defendant in Wood <i>v.</i> Jones. Lincoln is attorney for the appellant. The defendant files his plea in Logan and Lincoln <i>v.</i> Smith, Executor of William Traylor. Three cases are continued. <i>Ibid.</i>
WED. NOV. 12	SPRINGFIELD. Traylor <i>v.</i> Goodacre is dismissed by agreement at the cost of the plaintiff. The plaintiff is to retain the property in question. <i>See entry of yesterday.</i> Yocum <i>v.</i> Newsom is continued on motion of the defendant, at his cost and Thayer <i>v.</i> Farrell is set for trial on Monday. Logan, Lincoln and Herndon represent the plaintiff in the second case and Logan & Lincoln the plaintiff in the first and last cases. <i>Ibid.</i>
THU. NOV. 13	SPRINGFIELD. In Beerup <i>v.</i> Lewis, Logan for the claimant and Lincoln, Herndon and Robbins argue the question of ownership of the stud horse Cherokee. The jury awards the horse to the claimant. Lincoln and Herndon appear for the defendants in People <i>v.</i> Tunison <i>et al.</i> , an indictment for rape. The defendants post bond for \$500.00 each. Logan and Lincoln get judgment for the plaintiff in the sum of \$1477.87 in Thayer <i>v.</i> Farrell. <i>Ibid.</i>
FRI. NOV. 14	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln, appearing for the defendants, wins two cases tried by the court, Jewett <i>v.</i> Lowery and Saunders & Co. <i>v.</i> Lewis & Harrison. Lincoln's motion (<i>See Nov. 10.</i>) is sustained in State Bank <i>v.</i> Harlan <i>et al.</i> The court orders the defendants to recover costs from the plaintiff. <i>Ibid.</i>
SAT. NOV. 15	SPRINGFIELD. A meeting is held to discuss the question of a Springfield and Alton Railroad. Judge Treat is made chairman and Levi Davis, secretary. Lincoln, Logan, Treat, Calhoun and N. W. Edwards are among the thirteen delegates appointed to attend a general meeting in Springfield on the first Monday in December. <i>Register, Nov. 15.</i>

SUN. NOV. 16	
MON. NOV. 17	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes to B. F. James that he is anxious that no more newspapers shall follow the lead of the Alton paper and nominate Hardin for Congress. "Baker is certainly off the track and I fear Hardin intends to be on it." He writes out a receipt and Josiah Francis signs it, releasing Lincoln from the agreement drawn up June 12, 1841. <i>See entry of that date. Works, I, 278; Angle, 10.</i>
TUE. NOV. 18	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes to Henry E. Dummer that he is on the track for Congress and asks Dummer not to let the Beardstown paper come out for Hardin and thus spoil his chance of getting the nomination. In the circuit court, two of Lincoln's cases are continued and one set for hearing tomorrow. <i>Tracy, 14; Record.</i>
WED. NOV. 19	SPRINGFIELD. Logan & Lincoln <i>v.</i> Smith, executor of William Traylor, is tried by the court. The court awards the plaintiff \$100.00 and costs. On May 26, 1847, John Brown, sheriff of Warren County, reports that he can find no property in the hands of James D. Smith, executor of William Traylor. Lincoln withdraws the defendants appearance in Blankenship <i>v.</i> Northcut, and the plaintiff dismisses the case. Two cases are continued. <i>Record.</i>
THU. NOV. 20	SPRINGFIELD. In the People <i>v.</i> Shepherd, <i>et al.</i> , an action in debt, a jury is sworn and then dismissed and by agreement, the plaintiffs accept \$1802.00 and costs to be paid in State Bank notes at par in ninety days. Lincoln and Logan are the attorneys for the plaintiff and Robbins for the defendant. <i>Ibid.</i>
FRI. NOV. 21	
SAT. NOV. 22	SPRINGFIELD. Leave is given the plaintiff to amend his bill and the defendant to file his answer thereto, in Keedy <i>v.</i> Wolgamot. Logan appears for the plaintiff and Lincoln and Herndon for the defendant. Lincoln's motion to correct the judgment in Beidler <i>v.</i> Woodruff, made at the last term of court, is overruled. <i>Ibid.</i>

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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes to B. F. James that he believes the nomination of Hardin for Governor, made in a Pekin paper by James, may do Lincoln's candidacy for Congress some good. It may juggle Hardin out of one office into another to Lincoln's advantage. *Works, I, 278.*

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SUN. NOV. 30	
MON. DEC. 1	SPRINGFIELD. The Alton and Springfield Railroad Convention assembles in the U. S. District Court room. Judge Treat is elected President. Lincoln is present with the twelve other Sangamon delegates. Morgan County sent four delegates, headed by Hardin and Lamborn and five have come from Madison County. <i>See entry for Nov. 15. Alton Telegraph and Democratic Review, Dec. 20.</i>
TUE. DEC. 2	SPRINGFIELD. On motion of Lincoln and Herndon, attorneys for the plaintiff, Rockwell <i>et al. v.</i> Bradford is continued in the United States Circuit Court. <i>Record.</i> The Railroad Convention assembles and hears the report of the Committee appointed to call on Governor Ford to ascertain the present status of the Northern Cross Railroad. After discussion they adjourn until Thursday evening. <i>Alton Telegraph and Democratic Review, Dec. 20.</i>
WED. DEC. 3	
THU. DEC. 4	SPRINGFIELD. Logan makes a report to the Railroad Convention on a plan for concentrating the efforts of Sangamon, Morgan and Madison Counties for the purchase of the Northern Cross Railroad and the construction of the Alton and Springfield. Lincoln's name is not mentioned in the proceedings of today, but being one of the delegates it is probable he attended. <i>Ibid.</i>
FRI. DEC. 5	[Either at the June or at the December terms of the U. S. Court, Lincoln was the associate of Grant Goodrich in three cases in which Grace Lawson (Lawrence) was the defendant. The cases involved fraud and misrepresentation in the sale of land. Butterfield, Collins and Baker were attorneys for the defendant. "Lincoln in closing the case" wrote Goodrich, "made the best jury argument I ever heard him make." Hertz: <i>The Hidden Lincoln</i> , 330.]
SAT. DEC. 6	SPRINGFIELD. "To succeed, I must have 17 votes in convention," writes Lincoln to B. F. James. ". . . I may safely claim Sangamon 8, Menard 2, Logan 1 . . . so if you and other friends can secure Dr. Boal's entire senatorial district, that is Tazewell 4, Woodford 1, and Marshall 1, it just covers the case. . . . In doing this let nothing be said against Hardin . . . Let the pith of the whole argument be 'Turn about is fair play.'" <i>Tracy</i> , 16.

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[The Supreme Court convenes, but for want of a quorum, adjourns until tomorrow. Browne and Treat are the only justices present. The docket is not as large as usual.]

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[Justice Caton arrives, but the Supreme Court yet lacks a quorum and adjourns until Wednesday morning.]

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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Lincoln, attorney for the appellees in *McCall v. Leshier et al.*, moves to dismiss the appeal and files his motion. *Griggs et al. v. Gear and Weld v. Gear*, similar cases from Jo Daviess County, come on appeal and writ of error. Hardin, attorney for the appellees, asks that appeal be dismissed for error in execution of appeal bond. Lincoln, for appellants, asks for a writ of certiorari. *Record*.

THU.
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SPRINGFIELD. The Supreme Court orders the defendants to join in error in *Ellis v. Locke* and *Ross et al. v. Nesbit*. Lincoln appears for the appellant in both cases. The plaintiff is ordered to assign errors and file abstracts in *Simpson v. Raulett*. Lincoln and Dickey represent the appellant and Peters the appellee. *Ibid*.

FRI.
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SPRINGFIELD. Chickering's motion for leave to file a supplemental record is granted in *Griggs et al. v. Gear*. In *Weld v. Gear*, the appellee is ordered to join in error by Dec. 29. *See entry for Dec. 10*. The rule against the defendant made July 8, 1842, in *People ex rel. Duncan v. Thorn*, is dismissed for want of prosecution. Lincoln appears for the appellant in the first two cases and for the defendant in the last case. *Ibid*.

SUN. DEC. 14	
MON. DEC. 15	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Lincoln for the appellees, moves that the appeal be dismissed in <i>McCall v. Leshet al.</i> After argument, the motion is denied. <i>Regnier v. Cabot et al.</i> , is argued before the court by Robbins for the appellant and Harris and Logan for the appellees. <i>Record.</i>
TUE. DEC. 16	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. <i>McCall v. Leshet al.</i> , is argued by Logan for the appellant and Lincoln for the appellees. <i>Ibid.</i> <i>Donaldson v. Reynolds and Walker</i> is continued in the United States Circuit Court. Lincoln represents the defendants. <i>Record.</i>
WED. DEC. 17	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. The argument in <i>McCall v. Leshet al.</i> , is continued by Lincoln and Logan and case submitted to the court. <i>Ibid.</i>
THU. DEC. 18	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Lincoln and Powell appear for the plaintiff in <i>Wren v. Moss et al.</i> , and argue the motion made for a rule upon the defendants to join in error. The motion is resisted by Merriman. The court takes time to consider. The judgment of the lower court is affirmed in <i>Regnier v. Cabot et al.</i> Justice Purple delivers the opinion of the court. <i>Ibid.</i> ; 7 Ill. 34.
FRI. DEC. 19	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. The motion argued by Lincoln and Powell on yesterday in <i>Wren v. Moss et al.</i> , that the defendants be ruled to join in error, is allowed. <i>Record.</i>
SAT. DEC. 20	

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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. *Cunningham v. Fithian et al.*, an appeal from Vermilion, is argued by J. B. Thomas and J. J. Brown for the appellant and Lincoln and Logan for the appellees. *Record*. *Magone v. Little et al.*, error from Jo Daviess, was submitted early in the term by Campbell & Lincoln, for plaintiff in error. Opinion is given today by Justice Scates, reversing the lower court. *Journal*, Jan. 15, 1846.

TUE.
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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Lincoln continues the argument in *Cunningham v. Fithian et al.* *Record*.

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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. The argument in the case of *Cunningham v. Fithian et al.*, is continued by J. J. Brown for the appellant. *Ibid*.

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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. *Eldridge v. Rowe* is argued by Peters for the appellant and Lincoln for the appellee. Logan for the appellee in *Ellis v. Locke* moves the court that the default [*Dec. 17*] be set aside and the order of reversal for non joinder in error be vacated and the cause dismissed. J. J. Brown concludes the argument in *Cunningham v. Fithian et al.* *Ibid*.

SAT.
DEC.
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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. *Hall v. Irwin et al.*, is argued by Minshall for the plaintiff and Lincoln & Thomas for the defendants. *Ibid*.

SUN. DEC. 28	
MON. DEC. 29	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Lincoln appears alone for the appellant in Ellis <i>v.</i> Locke; and in three other cases he is associated with McConnel, Trumbull and Powell. <i>Record.</i>
TUE. DEC. 30	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes to Samuel D. Marshall about the case of Dorman <i>et ux. v.</i> Lane which he handled in the Supreme Court for Marshall. He outlines his next procedure and concludes, "don't speak of this, lest they hear it, and take the alarm." <i>Tracy</i> , 17.
WED. DEC. 31	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. The defendant in Chauncey <i>v.</i> Jackson is ordered by the Supreme Court to join in error by Jan. 2, 1846. Butterfield appears for the plaintiff and Lincoln for the defendant. <i>Record.</i>
THU. JAN. 1	
FRI. JAN. 2	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. The case of the City of Springfield <i>v.</i> Hickox is argued by W. I. Ferguson and Lincoln for the plaintiff and by McDougall for the defendant. The case is submitted to the court. <i>Ibid.</i>
SAT. JAN. 3	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Wren <i>v.</i> Moss <i>et al.</i> , is argued by Bryan, attorney for the plaintiff. Lincoln is also attorney for the plaintiff and Thomas for the defendant. <i>Ibid.</i>

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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Hardin and Butterfield, attorneys for the defendant in *Griggs et al. v. Gear*, move the court to have certain errors stricken from the record. Lincoln, attorney for the plaintiff, moves that the writ of error be made a supersedeas in *Rysinger v. Cheney*, an appeal from McLean County. *Record*.

TUE.
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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. The court allows Lincoln's motion of yesterday in *Rysinger v. Cheney*. The plaintiff is to enter into bond for double the amount of the judgment against him in the McLean Circuit Court. *Ibid*.

WED.
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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Patterson *et ux. v. Edwards et al.*, a slander case from Mason County, is argued in the Supreme Court by Minshall for the plaintiff and Lincoln for the defendant. *Ibid*. Lincoln writes to Dr. Robert Boal of Lacon, Illinois about his election to Congress. He praises Hardin, but argues that "turn about is fair play." He asks Boal to send him the names of Whigs with whom he should correspond. *Works, I, 280*.

THU.
JAN.
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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Lincoln draws \$62.50 from the State Auditor. It is the salary of A. Shaw as States Attorney of the Fourth Circuit for the quarter ending Dec. 31, 1845. *Photo*. Wilson *et al. v. Van Winkle*, an appeal from Edgar County, is argued by McDougall for the plaintiff and Lincoln for the defendant. The judgment of the circuit court is affirmed. *Record*.

FRI.
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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Hardin and Butterfield attorneys for the defendant in *Griggs et al. v. Gear* move the court to have the 7th, 8th and 9th errors assigned in this case by the plaintiffs stricken from the docket. *Ibid*.

SAT.
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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Jesse B. Thomas, attorney for the defendant in *Wren v. Moss et al.*, moves the court to have the case continued. Lincoln and Bryan, attorneys for the plaintiff, resist the motion. *Ibid*. The doctrine of "rotation in office," used so effectively by Lincoln in his campaign this year for Congress appears today for the first time in the Lacon *Illinois Gazette*.

SUN. JAN. 11	
MON. JAN. 12	SPRINGFIELD. The Supreme Court grants the continuance of Wren <i>v.</i> Moss <i>et al.</i> , argued on yesterday. The argument is opened in Griggs <i>et al. v.</i> Gear by Chickering for the plaintiffs. <i>Record</i> .
TUE. JAN. 13	SPRINGFIELD. The argument in Griggs <i>et al. v.</i> Gear is continued by Butterfield and Hardin for the defendant and concluded by Lincoln for the plaintiffs. (On Jan. 26 the decision in this case and Weld <i>v.</i> Gear, a like case is given, reversing the decision of the Jo Daviess County Circuit Court.) <i>Record</i> ; 8, <i>Ill.</i> 2.
WED. JAN. 14	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln is preparing to make an energetic campaign for the congressional nomination. He writes to B. F. James of Tremont: "When the supreme court shall adjourn . . . it is my intention to take a quiet trip through the towns and neighborhoods of Logan County, Delavan, Tremont, and on to and through the upper counties." <i>Works</i> , I, 282-284.
THU. JAN. 15	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes in alarm to John Bennett of Petersburg: "Nathan Dresser is here, and speaks as though the contest between Hardin & me is to be doubtful in Menard County. . . . Don't fail to write me instantly on receiving this, telling me all—particularly the names of those who are going strong against me." <i>Works</i> , I, 284-285.
FRI. JAN. 16	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes John Bennett: "The enclosed letters I wrote last night, but when I went to the Post-office this morning your mail had left about half an hour. So I send them by Mr. Harris." He asks Bennett to take his letter out of the package and mail the rest, unless it is convenient to deliver them. <i>Works</i> , I, 285. Lincoln has two cases in the Supreme court. <i>Record</i> .
SAT. JAN. 17	

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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes Hardin refusing to accept Hardin's new plan for the selection of a Whig candidate for Congress. He agrees that a poll shall be opened in *every* precinct, and that the whole shall take place on the *same* day. He refuses to confine his canvass to his own county, but promises to "keep cool" under all circumstances. On Lincoln's motion, the Supreme Court reinstates *Curyea et al. v. Hayward* on the docket. *Works, I, 271; Record.*

TUE.
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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln is busy with two cases in the Supreme Court, *Kincaid v. Turner* and *Ross et al. v. Nesbitt*. The first case is a suit for damages to property belonging to Turner resulting from a prairie fire started by Kincaid. Robbins appears for the appellant, Harris and Lincoln for the appellee. The judgment of the circuit court is affirmed. In *Ross et al. v. Nesbitt* Lincoln appears alone for the defendant. *Record.*

WED.
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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes N. J. Rockwell that he is a candidate for Congress and repeats his argument, to get Hardin off the track, of "turn about is fair play. I shall be pleased if this strikes you as sufficient argument." *Works, I, 286.* *Smith v. Byrd* and *Traylor v. Hill* are argued in the Supreme court. Lincoln appears for the defendant in both cases. *Record.*

THU.
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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. In *Patterson et ux. v. Edwards et al.*, an action for slander from Mason County, Lincoln for the defendant, enters a motion for special leave to file a petition for rehearing without giving notice as required by the rules of the court. *Ibid.*

FRI.
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SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Lincoln wins the case of *Ross et al. v. Nesbitt*, argued on Tuesday, when the judgment of the lower court is affirmed. Justice Koerner delivers the opinion of the court. *Ibid; 7 Ill. 252.*

SAT.
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PETERSBURG. Lincoln spends this day and tomorrow in Petersburg in the interest of his candidacy for Congress. *Works, I, 287.*

SUN. JAN. 25	PETERSBURG. (<i>See entry for yesterday.</i>) While in Petersburg Lincoln signs a receipt with John Allen that they "have found in H. C. Gibson's pockets, ten dollars and fifteen . . . cts. in cash." <i>Photo.</i>
MON. JAN. 26	
TUE. JAN. 27	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln in a letter to B. F. James, compliments him on his recent article in the <i>Tazewell Whig</i> on the calling of a Whig Convention. He makes several suggestions about the selection and instruction of delegates. <i>Works, I, 286.</i>
WED. JAN. 28	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. John Doe <i>ex dem.</i> Ellen Frisby <i>et al. v.</i> Ballance <i>et al.</i> is argued by Powell and Lincoln for the plaintiffs in error and Butterfield for the defendants in error, and the case submitted to the court. <i>Record.</i>
THU. JAN. 29	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Simpson <i>v.</i> Raulett, an appeal from Putnam County, is argued by Lincoln for the appellant and Powell for the appellee and the case is submitted to the court. Murphy <i>v.</i> Summerville is argued by Lincoln for the plaintiff and Logan for the defendant. <i>Ibid.</i>
FRI. JAN. 30	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Bryan <i>et al. v.</i> Wash <i>et ux.</i> , a bill in chancery to set aside a conveyance of real estate on the ground of fraud is argued before the Supreme Court by Robbins for the plaintiff and Logan and Lincoln for the defendant. Lincoln and Powell win their case of Frisby <i>et al. v.</i> Ballance <i>et al.</i> , argued on Wednesday, when the judgment of the lower court is reversed and the cause remanded. <i>Ibid.</i> ; 7 <i>Ill.</i> 141.
SAT. JAN. 31	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Lincoln's petition for a rehearing in Patterson <i>et ux. v.</i> Edwards <i>et al.</i> , is denied. Argument in Bryan <i>et al. v.</i> Wash <i>et ux.</i> , is continued by Logan and Lincoln for the defendants and concluded by Robbins. <i>Record.</i> [The Whigs of Athens choose delegates to the County Convention, and resolve for "our friend of long standing and tried faith A. Lincoln, Esq. as most deserving the nomination." <i>Journal, Feb. 5.</i>]

SUN. FEB. 1	
MON. FEB. 2	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Ellis <i>v.</i> Locke, a suit to foreclose a mortgage by <i>scire facias</i> , from Cook County, is argued by Lincoln for the appellant and Logan for the appellee. At a later date the judgment of the lower court is affirmed. Chase <i>v.</i> Debolt an appeal from Peoria County is argued by Powell for the plaintiff and Lincoln for the defendant. <i>Record</i> .
TUE. FEB. 3	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. The court orders the plaintiff to file abstracts by tomorrow morning in Buckmaster <i>v.</i> Beames <i>et al.</i> Trumbull and Lincoln represent the plaintiff. <i>Ibid.</i> [John H. Morrison of Tremont, in a letter to John J. Hardin says, "Lincoln will probably get all the vote of Tazewell County even if Hardin were a candidate. The <i>regular succession</i> principle has been accepted. It is Abrahams turn now." <i>Hardin MSS. Feb. 2.</i>]
WED. FEB. 4	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Rysinger <i>v.</i> Cheney is argued by Lincoln for the plaintiff and Stuart and Edwards for the defendant. Lincoln wins the case when the court, at a later date, reverses the judgment of the lower court. He appears with Trumbull for the plaintiff in Buckmaster <i>v.</i> Beames <i>et al.</i> , an appeal from Madison, and for the defendant in Wright <i>v.</i> Bennett, an appeal from Menard County. <i>Record</i> .
THU. FEB. 5	SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. Lincoln for the plaintiff and Brayman for the defendant argue the case of Moore <i>v.</i> Hamilton, an appeal from Hancock County. Lincoln loses the case, when the court, on Saturday, reverses the judgment of the lower court. <i>Ibid.</i>
FRI. FEB. 6	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln appears before the Supreme court in Sargeant <i>v.</i> Kellogg and moves the court to have the order of reversal vacated and set aside and the cause again placed on the docket. <i>Ibid.</i> He gives Johnson Whaley a receipt for ten dollars, his fee in the case of Whaley <i>v.</i> Heirs of McElyen in the Sangamon Circuit Court. <i>Hertz, II, 553.</i>
SAT. FEB. 7	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes a very long letter to Hardin recounting the history of the candidacy of Baker, Hardin and himself for Congress. He resents Hardin's suggestions of double dealing. He carefully explains how the newspapers mentioned Hardin's name for Governor. <i>Angle, 22-28.</i> Lincoln and Fridley argue the motion made by Lincoln yesterday in Sargeant <i>v.</i> Kellogg. The motion is resisted by Peters and the court takes time. <i>Record.</i>

SUN. FEB. 8	
MON. FEB. 9	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes B. F. James about a recent article in the <i>Morgan</i> (Jacksonville) <i>Journal</i> that attempted to show Lincoln was unwilling to have a fair expression by the Whigs on the claims of Hardin and himself for Congress. <i>Tracy</i> , 18-20. The argument is concluded in the Supreme Court in <i>Sargeant v. Kellogg</i> and the court reinstates the cause. In <i>Chauncey v. Jackson</i> , his motion that judgment of reversal be vacated, is allowed. <i>Record</i> .
TUE. FEB. 10	[If Lincoln fulfils the intention expressed on Jan. 14, in his letter to B. F. James, he leaves today to canvass the counties to the north, in the interest of his nomination for Congress. The Supreme Court adjourned yesterday. <i>Works</i> , I, 284. The Democrat State Convention meets today in the Hall of the House of Representatives. <i>Journal</i> , Feb. 12.]
WED. FEB. 11	[See entry for yesterday.]
THU. FEB. 12	[See entry for Feb. 10.]
FRI. FEB. 13	[See entry for Feb. 10.]
SAT. FEB. 14	[See entry for Feb. 10.]

SUN. FEB. 15	[See entry for Feb. 10.]
MON. FEB. 16	[Hardin writes a public letter declining longer to be considered a candidate for Congress. He publishes his plan for selecting the nominee—the use of the primary in place of the convention.] B. F. James in his <i>Tazewell Whig</i> , Feb. 21, prints the letter and in his editorial says: “we conceive it due to Mr. Lincoln, that the people of this district should pay a substantial tribute to his worth, energy and patriotic exertions in behalf of Whig principles.”
TUE. FEB. 17	[See entry for Feb. 10.]
WED. FEB. 18	[See entry for Feb. 10.]
THU. FEB. 19	[See entry for Feb. 10.]
FRI. FEB. 20	[See entry for Feb. 10.]
SAT. FEB. 21	[See entry for Feb. 10. The Whigs of Springfield elect five delegates from each precinct to attend the County Convention on the first Monday in March.]

SUN. FEB. 22	
MON. FEB. 23	
TUE. FEB. 24	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln sends to Andrew Johnston, a Quincy lawyer, the first of several pieces of poetry they were to exchange during the year. The poem was probably William Knox's "Mortality," a poem that Lincoln two months later declared he would give all he was worth to have written. He asks if Johnston would like to have a piece of poetry upon which he was then working. <i>Hertz, II, 553.</i>
WED. FEB. 25	
THU. FEB. 26	
FRI. FEB. 27	
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SUN. MAR. 1	
MON. MAR. 2	SPRINGFIELD. The Sangamon County Whig Convention meets. Nominations for county officers are made. Walter Davis, Z. A. Enos, J. M. Smith, J. A. Pickrell, E. Lewis, A. J. Vandegrift, B. F. Dickinson and William Carson are appointed delegates to the Congressional Convention and are instructed to vote for Lincoln. <i>Journal</i> , Mar. 5.
TUE. MAR. 3	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes to Samuel D. Marshall of Shawneetown, sending him a plea in bar in the case of Dorman <i>et ux. v.</i> Lane, by which he can compel Lane to pay the Supreme Court costs in order to get the record with which to prove his replication. <i>Tracy</i> , 20-21.
WED. MAR. 4	
THU. MAR. 5	
FRI. MAR. 6	
SAT. MAR. 7	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln votes for William M. Farnsworth, the Whig candidate for Justice of Peace. James W. Keyes receives 262 votes to 162 for Farnsworth. The polling place is located in the court room in the new Sangamon County Court House on the southeast corner of Sixth and Washington streets. <i>Election Returns</i> .

<div>SUN. MAR. 8</div>	
<div>MON. MAR. 9</div>	
<div>TUE. MAR. 10</div>	SPRINGFIELD. Edward Baker Lincoln, the second child, is born to Abraham and Mary Lincoln. He is named after Edward D. Baker, close friend of Lincoln.
<div>WED. MAR. 11</div>	
<div>THU. MAR. 12</div>	
<div>FRI. MAR. 13</div>	
<div>SAT. MAR. 14</div>	

SUN. MAR. 15	
MON. MAR. 16	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln has twelve cases called on the first day of a twelve day term of the Sangamon Circuit Court. He confesses judgment for the defendant in Atwood <i>et al. v.</i> Crosby. The People <i>v.</i> Tunison, <i>et al.</i> , a rape case in which Lincoln & Herndon represent the defendants, is <i>nolle prossed</i> . Seven cases are continued, two dismissed and one set for hearing later. <i>Record</i> .
TUE. MAR. 17	SPRINGFIELD. Three appeal cases are dismissed, Wood <i>v.</i> Jones, Brown <i>v.</i> Crafton and Talbott <i>v.</i> Washburn. Lincoln appears alone for the appellant in the first case, with Herndon for the appellee in the second and for the appellant in the last case. <i>Ibid</i> .
WED. MAR. 18	SPRINGFIELD. Yocum <i>v.</i> Newsom, a slander suit, is tried before a jury by Logan, Lincoln and Herndon for the plaintiff and Baker for the defendant. The jury finds the defendant not guilty. In the afternoon, the court orders the judgment entered in the morning vacated and grants a new trial in Tabor <i>v.</i> Higginbotham, an ejectment suit. Lincoln and Merriman appear for the defendant. <i>Ibid</i> .
THU. MAR. 19	SPRINGFIELD. On Lincoln's motion the assumpsit suit of Preston <i>v.</i> Brassfield is dismissed. He appears for the plaintiff in Miles <i>v.</i> Lawrence and obtains leave to file his replication to the defendants plea. This is an assumpsit suit brought from Menard County on a change of venue. <i>Ibid</i> .
FRI. MAR. 20	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln withdraws the defendant's answer in Kyle <i>v.</i> Kyle and a divorce is granted to Sarah Kyle, the complainant. She is given custody of the two children and \$100.00 in cash. Lincoln and Herndon file the defendant's demurrer in Lamb <i>v.</i> Hickox & Hickox. <i>Ibid</i> .
SAT. MAR. 21	SPRINGFIELD. In Andrew J. Wilson <i>v.</i> Susan Wilson, testimony is heard on the petition and the divorce granted. Lincoln and Herndon appear for the complainant. <i>Ibid</i> .

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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln and Herndon file the defendants demurrer in Newton, Administrator *v.* Grubb & Ford. On their motion, leave is given the defendant in Betts *v.* Frazier to take the deposition of N. B. Spotswood before the issue is made. Two cases are continued. *Record.*

TUE.
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SPRINGFIELD. Wood *v.* Dormandy, an assumpsit suit, is tried before a jury. The jury awards \$1000.00 to the plaintiff, client of Logan, Lincoln and Herndon. A decree of foreclosure is granted in Cooper *v.* Crosby & Robbins. Lincoln and Herndon appear for the complainant. *Ibid.*

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SPRINGFIELD. The case of Brown *et al.* *v.* Harlan *et al.*, is submitted to the court. In Wood *v.* Dormandy, the plaintiff files his affidavit and on his motion the court orders that execution issue forthwith in this case. Lincoln appears for the plaintiff with Jordan and Herndon in the first case and Logan and Herndon in the second case. *Ibid.*

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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln appears for his law partner in the petition of Herndon as administrator of James Bell, to sell real estate. Logan & Lincoln as attorneys for the defendant consent to a judgment of \$100.00 against their client in City of Springfield *v.* A. G. Herndon. The court orders the injunction dissolved and the complainants bill dismissed in Brown *et al.* *v.* Harlan *et al.* (See entry for yesterday.) *Ibid.*

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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln files the defendants demurrer in Lamb *v.* Hickox & Hickox. The complainants file their replications in Benz *v.* Elliott and Betts *v.* Frazier. Lincoln represents the defendant alone in the first case and with Logan and Herndon in the latter case. *Ibid.*

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SPRINGFIELD. The defendants demurrer, filed by Lincoln on March 23, in Newton *v.* Grubb & Ford, is sustained. The plaintiff is barred from having and maintaining action against the defendants. Eleven chancery cases of Lincoln and Herndon are continued and eighteen stricken from the docket. *Ibid.*

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SPRINGFIELD. Leave is given the complainants to withdraw their bond filed in *Brown et al. v. Harlan et al.* (See entry of Mar. 26th.) *Record*.

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[Lincoln made a trip to Jacksonville between the close of the Sangamon Court on March 30., and opening of the Tazewell Court on April 9th. *Works, I*, 293.]

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THU. APR. 9	TREMONT. Lincoln attends the opening day of the Tazewell Circuit Court. On his motion, William & Deborah Phillips <i>v.</i> Jonathon Merriam, a chancery suit is continued. <i>Record.</i>
FRI. APR. 10	TREMONT.
SAT. APR. 11	TREMONT

SUN. APR. 12	TREMONT.
MON. APR. 13	TREMONT. On Lincoln's motion the appeal case of Herndon <i>v.</i> Enos & Verdin, is dismissed at the cost of the appellant. The plaintiff files his demurrer to the defendants third plea in Wellman <i>v.</i> Holland. The court hears the argument of counsel and sustains the demurrer. The remaining issues are heard and the court orders that the plaintiff recover \$909.51. Jones appears for the plaintiff and Lincoln, Merriman and Powell for the defendant. <i>Record.</i>
TUE. APR. 14	TREMONT. [The thirty-four original members of the Reed-Donner party, destined for one of the most tragic experiences in the history of western migration, leave Springfield for California.]
WED. APR. 15	TREMONT. Stanford & Davis <i>v.</i> Hicks <i>et al.</i> , is continued on motion of the complainant. Jones represents the complainants and Lincoln the defendants. <i>Record.</i> [Lincoln's article in which he describes the trial of the Traylor brothers for the murder of Fisher, held in Springfield in June, 1841 is published in the <i>Quincy Whig</i> today.]
THU. APR. 16	METAMORA. The Woodford Circuit Court opens for a two day term. Lincoln and Fenn, attorneys for the defendant in Smith <i>v.</i> Strawn, file their demurrer to the plaintiffs declaration. The court sustains the demurrer with leave to amend the declaration and the plaintiff is ruled to plead in thirty days. Leave is given the appellants in Hall & Edgett <i>v.</i> Morley to file a new appeal bond and take depositions. Two other cases are continued. <i>Record.</i>
FRI. APR. 17	METAMORA?
SAT. APR. 18	TREMONT. Lincoln writes to Andrew Johnston enclosing a poem inspired by his visit to Spencer County, Indiana, in the fall of 1844. The sight of the neighborhood where he was raised and where his mother and sister were buried "aroused feelings in me which were certainly poetry; though whether my expression of those feelings is poetry is quite another question." <i>Works, I</i> , 288.

SUN. APR. 19	
MON. APR. 20	BLOOMINGTON. The McLean Circuit Court opens a four day term. Lincoln's attendance is proved by a statement in his letter to James Berdan on April 26, in which he says, "I thank you for the promptness with which you answered my letter written from Bloomington." <i>Works, I</i> , 293.
TUE. APR. 21	BLOOMINGTON.
WED. APR. 22	BLOOMINGTON.
THU. APR. 23	BLOOMINGTON. [The <i>Sangamo Journal</i> reprints Lincoln's story of the Fisher murder trial that appeared on April 15th, in the <i>Quincy Whig</i> . The leader in the <i>Whig</i> said, "The following narrative has been handed us for publication by a member of the bar." The "member of the bar" was possibly Andrew Johnston with whom Lincoln is corresponding frequently.]
FRI. APR. 24	
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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes to James Berdan, a Jacksonville lawyer, with the object of smoothing any hard feelings that may exist between his followers and those of Hardin. *Works, I, 293.*

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[The Livingston Circuit Court meets for a one day session at Pontiac.]

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CLINTON. The DeWitt Circuit Court convenes for a two day term. The parties agree to dispense with a jury in *A. Lincoln v. Spencer & William Turner*. The court hears the case and awards the plaintiff \$213.50 and costs. Lincoln confesses that the defendant in *Cobb v. Clifton* is indebted in the sum of \$319.00 and \$1.06 damages. Lincoln appears for the plaintiff, and on his motion, *McDowall v. Duncan et al.*, is stricken from the docket. *Record.*

FRI.
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[J. B. Watson reports to the Board of Visitors of the Sangamon County Temperance Union that Lincoln has addressed the Springfield Juvenile Society and that three have signed the abstinence pledge. *Minutes of the Sangamon County Temperance Union. Original in Illinois State Historical Library.*]

SAT.
MAY
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The *Sangamo Journal* reports yesterdays Whig Convention at the Court House in Petersburg. "Lincoln was nominated as the Whig candidate for representative to Congress from this Congressional District. This nomination was, of course, anticipated, there being no other candidate in the field. Mr. Lincoln, we all know, is a good Whig, a good man, an able speaker and richly deserves the confidence of Whigs in District and State." *May 7.*

SUN. MAY 3	
MON. MAY 4	[The Piatt Circuit Court convenes at Monticello.]
TUE. MAY 5	
WED. MAY 6	[The Champaign Circuit Court convenes at Urbana for a two day term.]
THU. MAY 7	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes to James Berdan, an attorney at Jacksonville, that he is morally obligated to attend the Coles and Edgar courts in May, but expects to be in Morgan on the fourth Monday in May and make a speech. <i>Works, I</i> , 294.
FRI. MAY 8	
SAT. MAY 9	

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MON. MAY 11	CHARLESTON. It is assumed that Lincoln is in Charleston to attend the cases he mentioned in his letter to James Berdan on May 7th. <i>Works, I</i> , 294. [The Vermilion Circuit Court convenes today.]
TUE. MAY 12	CHARLESTON?
WED. MAY 13	CHARLESTON? [War with Mexico is officially declared.]
THU. MAY 14	CHARLESTON?
FRI. MAY 15	
SAT. MAY 16	DANVILLE? The defendants in <i>Fithian v. Cunningham, Alexander & Forbes</i> , default and the plaintiff is ordered to recover debt of \$3200.00 and costs. Lincoln and Murphy are the attorneys for the plaintiff but according to the record, only Murphy appears. <i>Record</i> .

SUN. MAY 17	
MON. MAY 18	PARIS. The Edgar Circuit Court begins a five day session. Lincoln in a letter to James Berdan, May 7th, says he has some cases coming up today in the Edgar County Circuit Court. <i>Works, I, 294.</i>
TUE. MAY 19	
WED. MAY 20	
THU. MAY 21	
FRI. MAY 22	
SAT. MAY 23	BATH? Sears <i>v.</i> Baxter, an appeal case, comes up in the Mason County Circuit Court. By consent, judgment is entered for \$25.65, the amount of the note. The appellant is to pay one third of the costs, the appellee the remainder. Lincoln's name appears on the docket as attorney for the appellant, but it is doubtful if he was present. <i>Record.</i>

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JACKSONVILLE. In his letter to James Berdan on May 7th, Lincoln said he hoped to be in Jacksonville to make a speech on this day. *Works, I*, 294. [Governor Ford issues a proclamation calling for 3,000 volunteers to fight in the War with Mexico. The Moultrie Circuit Court convenes at Sullivan.]

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[The Macon Circuit Court convenes today for a two day term.]

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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes to J. J. Hardin saying Dr. F. A. McNeil, a Springfield surgeon, is desirous of going to the Mexican War as a surgeon. He says that Shields and Semple are coming on and expect to be made officers. "Let these conjectures of mine be confidential." *Photo*.

SAT.
MAY
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SPRINGFIELD. A large meeting of citizens is held in the State House in the afternoon following a drill by the Cadets of the City and the Berlin Independent Company. The assembly is addressed by Governor Ford, Dr. E. H. Merryman, D. L. Gregg, T. Campbell and Lincoln on the necessity of prompt and united action to support the Mexican War. *Journal, June 4*.

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SPRINGFIELD. The U. S. Circuit Court begins its session with Judge McLean on the bench. *Journal*, June 4. Donaldson *v.* Reynolds & Walker, Lincoln's only case of which there is record is continued. *Record*. The Christian Circuit Court convenes. Herndon is there and takes care of the five cases of Lincoln & Herndon. *Record*. [Judge Pope, because of a severe disease of the eyes is unable to attend court.]

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[The Logan Circuit Court convened today.]

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SUN. JUNE 7	
MON. JUNE 8	PETERSBURG. The Menard Circuit Court opens for a five day term. The defendants, by Lincoln their attorney, move to dismiss the appeal in Judson <i>v.</i> Killion <i>et al.</i> This is an appeal from an order of the County Commissioners Court for the relocating of a county road. Scott <i>v.</i> Busher is dismissed by written agreement, the costs to be divided. Lincoln and Campbell appear for Busher. <i>Record.</i>
TUE. JUNE 9	PETERSBURG. In the People <i>v.</i> Page, the jury finds the defendant not guilty. After the court hears the evidence in Powell <i>v.</i> Worth, the plaintiff dismisses the suit at his cost. The jury finds Peter Parker guilty of manslaughter, but imprisons him in the Menard Jail for sixty days because he is under eighteen years of age. Lincoln appears with Harris for the defendant in the first and last cases and alone for the plaintiff in the other. <i>Ibid.</i>
WED. JUNE 10	PETERSBURG. The court orders that the plaintiff recover \$7.50 and costs in Ritter <i>et al. v.</i> Wagoner <i>et al.</i> Wagoner <i>v.</i> Lukins is continued on motion of complainant with leave given both parties to take depositions. Lincoln appears for the appellant in the first case and with Baker and Matheny for the complainant in the last case. <i>Ibid.</i>
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[Colonel E. D. Baker leads his regiment of 675 men out of Springfield to fight in the Mexican War.]

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[No summer term of the Supreme Court is held.]

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SAT. JULY 18	LACON. Lincoln arrives unannounced in Lacon, but a sizable gathering of citizens hear his speech. The tariff is his principal subject "with which he showed himself to be thoroughly acquainted. In a most logical, argumentative effort, he demonstrated the necessity of a discriminating tariff." Lacon <i>Illinois Gazette</i> , July 25.

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NEAR HENRY. Accompanied by a group of friends from Lacon, Lincoln crosses the river to address the voters in the two precincts of Marshall County, located on the west side of the Illinois River. He speaks in a grove on the Bonham Farm near the boundary line of the two precincts. *Bonham*, 161.

TUE.
JULY
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[Dr. Robert Boal, of Lacon, in a letter to Richard Yates, Aug. 25, 1860 wrote, "Cartwright *sneaked* through this part of the district after Lincoln, and grossly mis-represented him." He suggests that Yates speak in the following towns, Versailles, Metamora, Spring Bay, Lacon, Henry, Hennepin, Magnolia and Granville. Boal, as Lincoln's advisor, probably suggested the same towns in 1846. *Yates, MSS.*]

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[C. C. Tisler, in "Lincoln's Ottawa" (*MS.*) quoting John Fiske Nash, a former resident of Hennepin, says Lincoln and Cartwright both spoke at Hennepin during the 1846 campaign.]

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MACKINAW. Lincoln is scheduled to address the citizens of Mackinawtown some time after one o'clock this afternoon. *Tazewell Whig*, July 18.

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DELAVAN. Lincoln is scheduled to speak at seven o'clock in the evening. *Ibid.*

SUN. JULY 26	
MON. JULY 27	SPRINGFIELD. In the Sangamon Circuit Court, the plaintiff files her declaration in Hampton <i>v.</i> Hall and the defendant is ruled to enter his plea in twenty days. This is an ejectment suit in which Lincoln and Herndon appear for the plaintiff. On motion of Logan & Lincoln, attorneys for the plaintiff, leave is given to open depositions in Ryder <i>v.</i> Stringer. Fifteen of Lincoln's cases are continued and two stricken from the docket. <i>Record.</i>
TUE. JULY 28	[The summer term of the Sangamon Circuit Court ends a two day session today. Nelson Fry gets a judgment for \$810.00 against William H. Herndon, Administrator of James Bell, deceased, and Joshua F. Speed. Herndon is to pay this judgment out of proceeds of sale of real estate made on Oct. 17, 1845 to John and Robert Irwin. <i>Ibid.</i>]
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SPRINGFIELD. This is election day. Lincoln votes the Whig ticket for all offices, and for Cartwright for Congress. He gets 919 votes to 450 for Cartwright in Springfield. The Seventh District of eleven counties gives Lincoln 6340 votes, to 4829 for Cartwright. Elihu Wolcott the Liberty party candidate received 249 votes. Lincoln's majority of 1262 votes over both opponents is unprecedented. *Election Returns*.

TUE.
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[Lincoln's election as the only Whig congressman brought forth the following typical comment in Democratic newspapers; "We had hoped better results would have followed the nomination of Mr. Cartwright. But 'General Apathy' seems to have controlled the Democratic party—and wherever he is commander-in-chief defeat ensues, as a natural consequence. Better luck next time." *Illinois State Gazette*, (Shawneetown) Aug. 20, 1846.]

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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln sends Andrew Johnston a second canto of his poem inspired by his campaign trip in the fall of 1844 to his old home in Indiana. The poem is about an old schoolmate, Matthew Gentry, who became insane at nineteen. *Works, I*, 294.

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[The Secretary of State, Auditor of Public Accounts and the Treasurer, in the presence of the Governor, canvass the votes given for representatives in the seven congressional districts on August 3. They declare Lincoln elected from the Seventh District and a certificate of election is issued to him.]

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TREMONT. The fall term of the Tazewell Court begins. Judge Treat appoints David B. Campbell to serve in the absence of the prosecuting attorney. *Record*.

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TREMONT. In William & Deborah Phillips *v.* Jonathon Merriam, the court denies the defendants motion that the plaintiff file a bond for costs. Lincoln is attorney for the plaintiff. *Ibid.*

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TREMONT. The defendant files his demurrer to the complainants bill in Phillips *et al. v.* Merriam. The court hears the argument and overrules the demurrer. On Lincoln's motion, the complainant is granted leave to amend his bill, the defendant to answer before Dec. 1. *Ibid.*

SUN. SEPT. 13	TREMONT.
MON. SEPT. 14	TREMONT. Wells <i>v.</i> Clark and Stanford & Davis <i>v.</i> Hicks <i>et al.</i> , are continued. Lincoln gives his receipt for \$5.00 to Samuel Clark, the amount of his fee for services "done at this time," in the case of Wells <i>v.</i> Clark. <i>Record; Photo.</i>
TUE. SEPT. 15	TREMONT. An agreement to sell the real estate is made in R. H. and Thomas Snell <i>v.</i> John S. Snell <i>et al.</i> , heirs of Thomas Snell. G. F. Saltonstall is to be paid \$1770.00 the amount of the mortgage held by him from the plaintiffs. The remainder of the proceeds to be held subject to the order of the court. Jones and James are attorneys for the complainant and Lincoln for the defendant. <i>Record.</i>
WED. SEPT. 16	
THU. SEPT. 17	METAMORA. The Woodford Circuit Court convenes for a three day session. [The Sangamon County Temperance Union lists the dates of meeting of the twenty-seven Societies in Sangamon County. Lincoln was one of the speakers at meetings in Sangamon County in 1846 and 1847.]
FRI. SEPT. 18	METAMORA. Lincoln loses the appeal case of Platt <i>v.</i> Sowards when a jury awards the property in question to the appellant. He also loses the appeal case of Hall & Edgett <i>v.</i> Morley. With Fenn he wins Smith <i>v.</i> Strawn when the plaintiff submits to a non-suit. In Tabor <i>v.</i> Higginbotham, an ejectment suit, the court awards the property to the plaintiff but later in the day, on Lincoln's motion, grants the defendant a new trial. <i>Record.</i>
SAT. SEPT. 19	METAMORA?

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BLOOMINGTON. The McLean Circuit Court convenes for a three day term. It is probable that Lincoln was in attendance as two notes for \$20.00 each were made by James M. Duffy, one to Lincoln and the other to David Davis. *Original Notes owned by David Davis III, Bloomington, Illinois.*

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SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln draws from the Auditor a warrant for \$280.00 for W. P. Willard for conveying three convicts from Jo Daviess County to the penitentiary at Alton. *Warrant Register in Auditor's Office.*

SUN. SEPT. 27	
MON. SEPT. 28	[The Livingston Circuit Court convenes for a two day term at Pontiac.]
TUE. SEPT. 29	
WED. SEPT. 30	
THU. OCT. 1	[The DeWitt Circuit Court convenes for a two day term at Clinton.]
FRI. OCT. 2	
SAT. OCT. 3	

SUN. OCT. 4	
MON. OCT. 5	[The Piatt Circuit Court convenes at Monticello.]
TUE. OCT. 6	
WED. OCT. 7	[The Champaign Circuit Court convenes at Urbana for a two day term.]
THU. OCT. 8	
FRI. OCT. 9	
SAT. OCT. 10	

SUN. OCT. 11	
MON. OCT. 12	DANVILLE? The case of Fithian <i>v.</i> Cunningham <i>et al.</i> , is continued. Lincoln and Murphy are listed on the docket as attorneys for the plaintiff. <i>Record</i> .
TUE. OCT. 13	
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SUN. OCT. 18	
MON. OCT. 19	CHARLESTON. The Coles County Circuit Court convenes. Lincoln writes to William Brown on Oct. 22; "I have just returned from Coles." <i>Angle</i> , 31-32.
TUE. OCT. 20	CHARLESTON.
WED. OCT. 21	CHARLESTON. Lincoln probably started for Springfield today.
THU. OCT. 22	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln writes to Speed suggesting that they renew their correspondence. "Being elected to Congress" he says, "has not pleased me as much as I expected." He announces the birth of Edward Baker Lincoln and describes Robert's characteristics. He also writes to William Brown. <i>Works</i> , I, 297; <i>Angle</i> , 31-32.
FRI. OCT. 23	
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SUN. OCT. 25	
MON. OCT. 26	[The Moultrie County Circuit Court convenes at Sullivan.]
TUE. OCT. 27	
WED. OCT. 28	
THU. OCT. 29	[The Macon Circuit Court convenes for a three day term at Decatur.]
FRI. OCT. 30	
SAT. OCT. 31	

SUN. NOV. 1	
MON. NOV. 2	TAYLORVILLE. The Christian County Circuit Court holds a one day session. Lincoln draws up the separate answer of Ezekial S. Young to the chancery bill in Gulliford <i>v.</i> Young. <i>Photo.</i>
TUE. NOV. 3	
WED. NOV. 4	
THU. NOV. 5	CAMDEN [POSTVILLE]. Lincoln and Herndon represent the complainant in a divorce case, Paranteau <i>v.</i> Paranteau, in the Logan County Circuit Court some time during this term. <i>Journal, Aug. 27.</i>
FRI. NOV. 6	
SAT. NOV. 7	

SUN. NOV. 8	
MON. NOV. 9	SPRINGFIELD. The Sangamon Circuit Court convenes today and remains in session until November 23. Lincoln and Herndon get judgment for \$107.75 and costs in <i>Wallace & Diller v. Merryman</i> . They appear for the complainant in <i>Hampton v. Hall</i> and get judgment for the land in question. They represent the plaintiff in <i>Hampton v. Wadkins</i> . <i>Duryee v. Dykeman</i> , a trespass case, in which they represent the defendant, is continued. <i>Record</i> .
TUE. NOV. 10	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln and Herndon get a jury verdict of \$84.00 for the plaintiff in <i>Hagardine v. Shaw</i> . Lincoln files his report as guardian <i>ad litem</i> in <i>Tinsley & Co. v. Smedley & Campbell</i> . The defendant defaults in <i>Johnson & Bradford v. Prentiss</i> , and a writ of inquiry is awarded. Lincoln and Herndon appear for the plaintiffs. <i>Ibid</i> .
WED. NOV. 11	SPRINGFIELD. Leave is given to open depositions in <i>Hampton v. Wadkins</i> , an appeal case. <i>Williams & Loose v. Spotswood</i> is continued by agreement. Lincoln and Herndon represent the appellant in the first case and Lincoln the defendant in the second case. <i>Ibid</i> .
THU. NOV. 12	SPRINGFIELD. A jury is called in <i>Law v. Keedy</i> , an assumpsit suit, then the plaintiff takes a non-suit. Lincoln and Herndon appear for the plaintiff in this case and in <i>Hampton v. Wadkins</i> . In this case the jury, unable to agree, is discharged. Robbins and Lincoln lose <i>Merrill v. Jewett & Hitchcock</i> , an appeal case in which they appear for the appellant. <i>Ibid</i> .
FRI. NOV. 13	SPRINGFIELD. The grand jury returns an indictment for assault in <i>People v. William Vigal</i> . Lincoln is attorney for the defendant. <i>Ibid</i> . Lincoln draws up a bill of particulars in the case of <i>John Calhoun v. John Warner and Lawrence Gros</i> . <i>American Book Prices Current—1932</i> .
SAT. NOV. 14	SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln and Herndon enter a motion to vacate the sale made in <i>Cooper v. Crosby & Robbins</i> . <i>Record</i> .

<p>SUN. NOV. 15</p>	<p>SPRINGFIELD.</p>
<p>MON. NOV. 16</p>	<p>SPRINGFIELD. The plaintiffs demurrer to the defendants plea is argued and overruled in <i>Backenstos v. Freeman</i>. Welles appears for the plaintiff and Lincoln for the defendant. Lincoln and Herndon for the complainant in <i>Cooper v. Crosby & Robbins</i>, move the court to set aside the sale of the real estate made heretofore, and to order a resale. <i>Record</i>.</p>
<p>TUE. NOV. 17</p>	<p>SPRINGFIELD. Lincoln draws up the affidavits of the defendants in <i>People v. Lane et al.</i>, and <i>People v. Merrill</i>, praying that the venue of said causes be changed to some other county. <i>Photo</i>.</p>
<p>WED. NOV. 18</p>	<p>SPRINGFIELD. In <i>Fletcher v. Fletcher</i>, the court orders the land divided according to the petition for partition. Lincoln and Herndon represent the petitioner. <i>People v. John Smith</i>, a forgery case, is continued—the defendant, Lincoln's client, to give bond of \$300.00. <i>Record</i>.</p>
<p>THU. NOV. 19</p>	<p>SPRINGFIELD. The <i>People v. Vigal</i>, an indictment for assault, is continued with the defendant, Lincoln's client giving bail for \$200.00. In <i>Thompson & Wife v. Broadwell et al.</i>, the plaintiffs are awarded judgment by default. Robbins is attorney for the plaintiffs and Logan, Lincoln and Herndon, for the defendants. <i>Ibid</i>.</p>
<p>FRI. NOV. 20</p>	<p>SPRINGFIELD. By agreement in <i>Campbell v. Trumbull</i>, an assumpsit suit, the plaintiff is awarded \$200.00, and an appeal to the Supreme Court. Logan appears for the plaintiff and Lincoln, Herndon and Peck for the defendant. In <i>Lamb v. Hickox</i>, the court orders the bill dismissed and the complainant to pay costs. Lincoln and Herndon appear for the defendant. <i>Ibid</i>.</p>
<p>SAT. NOV. 21</p>	

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SPRINGFIELD. In the Sangamon Circuit Court, in the chancery case of Cooper *v.* Crosby & Robbins, the court denies the motion to set aside the sale, to which the complainants attorneys Lincoln and Herndon, except. They also take exception to the courts approval of the report of the sale by the master in chancery. Lincoln and Herndon have eight cases continued. *Record.*

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PETERSBURG. The Menard Circuit Court opens for a three day term. Lincoln appears for four supervisors of Menard County indicted for failure to do their duty; the jury finds William Young and William McNeely not guilty and the prosecution drops the case against Bennett Abell and Bluford Atterbury. James *v.* Engle is by agreement, dismissed at the defendant's cost. Lincoln and Herndon appear for the plaintiff. *Record*.

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PETERSBURG. In People *v.* Ammai Merrill, an indictment for giving payment in counterfeit coin, the jury finds the defendant guilty; he is sentenced to three years in the penitentiary. Lincoln, Herndon and Robbins appear for the defendant. *Ibid*.

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PETERSBURG. In Elmore *v.* Moon, the jury finds the defendant guilty and assesses the damages at \$50.00. The court awards \$317.32 to the complainants in John Bennett *et al. v.* Richard E. Bennett *et al.*, and orders the real estate sold as per bill of complaint. In the chancery case of Wagoner *v.* Lukins, a jury awards the land in question to the complainant on payment of \$125.34. Lincoln is for the plaintiffs in all three cases. *Ibid*.

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SPRINGFIELD. In the United States Circuit Court, Donaldson *v.* Reynolds & Walker is continued by agreement. Peters is attorney for the plaintiff and Lincoln for the defendant. *Record.*

<p>SUN. DEC. 13</p>	<p>[Stephen A. Douglas is elected by the legislature, to the United States Senate over Cyrus Edwards, the Whig candidate.]</p>
<p>MON. DEC. 14</p>	<p>SPRINGFIELD. The Supreme Court opens its winter term. After a little formal business, it adjourns until tomorrow. The defendant, Lincoln's client, in Edgar County <i>v.</i> Mayo, is ruled to join in error by Dec. 21. <i>Record.</i></p>
<p>TUE. DEC. 15</p>	<p>[The Supreme Court adjourns until tomorrow.]</p>
<p>WED. DEC. 16</p>	<p>SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. By consent of the parties in Wren <i>v.</i> Moss <i>et al.</i>, it is ordered by the court that the decree of the Peoria Circuit Court be reversed with costs against Thomas Wren, paid in the due course of administration. Lincoln and Powell represent the plaintiff and Peters the defendants. <i>Record.</i></p>
<p>THU. DEC. 17</p>	<p>SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. In Roney <i>v.</i> Monaghan, a case from Lake County involving the question of the sufficiency of the evidence to sustain a judgment for damages, the defendant is ruled to join in error by Dec. 21. Morris and Pearson appear for the appellant and Lincoln for the appellee. <i>Ibid.</i></p>
<p>FRI. DEC. 18</p>	<p>SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. In People <i>ex rel.</i> <i>v.</i> Browne, Washburne, attorney for the plaintiff and Lincoln for the defendant, argue the plaintiff's motion to have the writ of alternative mandamus made peremptory. The court denies the plaintiffs motion. Douglas gives a brilliant levee at the State House in the honor of his election to the United States Senate. <i>Record; Journal, Dec. 24.</i></p>
<p>SAT. DEC. 19</p>	<p>SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. In Wilcoxson <i>v.</i> Roby, a suit on a penal bond from Stephenson County, the court orders the appellant to file his abstracts by Dec. 23. Lincoln is attorney for the appellant and Jesse B. Thomas for the appellee. The appellant is ordered to assign errors in Garrett <i>v.</i> Stevenson, an appeal from Tazewell County. Lincoln appears for the appellant. <i>Record.</i></p>

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<div>WED. DEC. 30</div>	<p>SPRINGFIELD. The Whig members of the Legislature meet in the office of the <i>Sangamo Journal</i> to select a candidate to fill the Congressional seat left vacant by the resignation of E. D. Baker. Lincoln declines being considered a candidate, and Judge William Brown is chosen. <i>Chauncey v. Jackson</i> is argued before the Supreme Court by O. C. Skinner for the plaintiff and Lincoln for the defendant. <i>Journal</i>, Jan. 14, 1847; <i>Record</i>.</p>
<div>THU. DEC. 31</div>	<p>SPRINGFIELD. IN THE SUPREME COURT. The defendant in <i>Roney v. Monaghan</i>, is ordered to join in the errors on the transcript filed on Dec. 14, said joinder in error to be made before Jan. 4, 1847. Morris and Pearson appear for the appellant and Lincoln for the appellee. <i>Record</i>.</p>

APPENDIX

1. Jan. 21, 1840. By act of the legislature June 1, 1839 the Congressional election which would have come in August, 1840 was postponed to August, 1841 with the hope that the census of 1840 would show that Illinois was entitled to more Congressmen. The bill mentioned by Lincoln on January 21, 1840, passed the House, but tabled in the Senate, was designed to restore the election to August, 1840.
2. Feb. 29, 1840. The *Missouri Republican*, March 16, 1840, in its comment on the scuffle of Stephen A. Douglas and Simeon B. Francis concluded: "Francis who is a good-natured, fat, hearty clever man, loves a hearty laugh much better than personal difficulty."
3. Oct. 31, 1840. "The Whigs of this city and county, on Sat. last, raised and completed a log cabin, 36' \times 44'—placing it a few rods south of the American House. In the evening it was filled to overflowing (60 ladies were present)—and able speeches were delivered by Messrs. Stuart, May, N. W. Edwards, Urquhart and Bledsoe, which were interspersed with patriotic songs. "From the laying down of the first log of the cabin until the adjournment of the meeting at night, everything went on like clock work. It was truly a pleasant affair." *Sangamo Journal*, Nov. 6, 1840.
4. Jan. 19, 1841. James C. Conkling in a letter to his fiancée, Mercy Levering on Jan. 24th, says, "Poor L! [Lincoln] how are the mighty fallen! He was confined about a week . . ." From the dates of Lincoln's absence from the Legislature it is assumed that he is ill from the 13th to the 19th. Sandburg and Angle, *Mary Lincoln*, 179.
5. April 14, 1841. Logan and Lincoln were associated in several cases at the March term of the Sangamon Circuit Court. It is believed that these were new cases, while the old cases were finished up by Stuart & Lincoln.
6. March 22, 1842. The trains on the Northern Cross Railroad left Springfield for Meredosia on Monday, Wednesday and Friday; returning on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. Taylor & Bassett, commission and forwarding merchants at Meredosia had leased the road from the State of Illinois, and were operating it in 1842. *Missouri Republican*, June 16, 1842.

7. Aug. 1, 1843. Samuel C. Parks, an attorney of Lincoln, Illinois, and a lawyer in the late fifties practicing in the courts with Lincoln, said that he first heard a speech by Lincoln in 1843 a few days after the birth of Robert Todd Lincoln. The speech delivered in a log school house was not a great speech, but Parks recalled that Lincoln took the occasion to speak of his first-born son as a "whelk of a boy."
8. Oct. 6, 1843. The *Missouri Republican* of Oct. 12, 1843 commented on the Jacksonville barbecue as a "splendid affair." The *Illinois Statesman*, the local Democrat newspaper in its issue of Nov. 20th. carried the usual party prejudice in its columns. "We have been very remiss in not stating to our readers before that there were some remarkable Whig *outpourings* at the Jacksonville barbecue. The *new* cider flew about profusely. The Hon. Mr. Hardin delivered himself of his usual number of coon anecdotes. . . . Mr. Lincoln also made a speech. Mr. Baker literally demolished every Locofoco."
9. March 1, 1844. "The Whigs selected their presidential electors in 1844 because of their oratorical ability, and exacted promises that they would go on the stump in March and continue steadily at it until the election in November." G. T. M. Davis to J. J. Hardin, Alton, Feb. 10, 1844. *Hardin MSS.*
10. May 22, 1844. The *Illinois Adler und Demokratischer Whig*, a German campaign paper made its first appearance. This sheet, and the *Olive Branch*, which had been published since March, were backed by the Whig Junto of which Lincoln and Dr. Anson G. Henry were the leading spirits.
Logan & Lincoln receipt on the Judgment Docket of the Sangamon Circuit Court, that the judgment for \$476.26, obtained on Nov. 22, 1841, in *Blankenship & Co. v. Rockwell & Co.*, has been satisfied in full.
11. June 7, 1844. On June 7, 1844 Lincoln signs the firm name in the Judgment Docket of the Sangamon Circuit Court, showing that the judgment for \$612.50 damages, and \$22.12 costs, awarded the plaintiff in *Alexander Brother v. Fruit, Walker & Co.* has been paid in full. Logan & Lincoln obtained this judgment for the plaintiff in a jury trial on Nov. 22, 1843.
12. June 25, 1844. In his autobiography, Henry W. Blodgett, a Chicago attorney, says that Lincoln was in Chicago in June, 1844. He saw Lincoln in the office of J. Young Scammon. No data concerning Lincoln's activities from June 19 to July 6 has been found so it is possible that this was the period of his visit to Chicago. Scammon attended the Peoria Convention on June 19, serving on the Resolutions Committee with Lincoln. *Journal of Illinois State Historical Society*, Oct. 1919, 413.

13. Nov. 30, 1844. Anson S. Miller, in his recollections, describes a Whig caucus prior to the opening of the Legislature, for the purpose of nominating officers for the two houses. E. D. Baker favored making no fight for the offices in view of the bad beating sustained by the Whigs in the election. It is very probable that Lincoln attended this caucus. *Journal, Ill. State Historical Society, Jan. 1936.*
14. Dec. 9, 1844. The following lawyers attended the December, 1844 term of the Illinois Supreme Court in Springfield. From Alton: David J. Baker, William Martin, Samuel G. Bailey; from Belleville, Lyman Trumbull; from Chicago, Justin Butterfield, Isaac N. Arnold, N. B. Judd; from Edwardsville, Joseph Gillespie; from Geneva, Benjamin F. Fridley; from Jacksonville, Josiah Lamborn, William Thomas, James G. McDougall; from Peoria, Norman H. Purple, Onslow Peters, E. N. Powell, L. B. Knowlton, William L. May; from Quincy, O. H. Browning, Archibald Williams, Charles Gilman; from Rushville, William A. Minshall; from St. Louis, Junius Hall; from Shawneetown, Henry Eddy, Albert G. Caldwell; from Springfield, A. Lincoln, Stephen T. Logan, S. W. Robbins, Edward D. Baker; from Vandalia, Levi Davis. *Memorandum in the Papers of Henry Eddy.*
15. June 5, 1845. The Logan County Circuit Court convened on June 5th.

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